

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

September 23, 2025-10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held September 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Reutov called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT	Paul Reutov	Mayor
	John Mondal	Councillor
	Kevin Paré	Councillor
	Charlyn Moore	Councillor
	Jason Stedman	Councillor/Deputy Mayor (<i>Participated electronically / departed at 1:04 p.m.</i>)
	Lorin Tkachuk	Councillor (<i>Participated electronically / departed at 2:59 p.m.</i>)
	Colette Borgun	Councillor
	Darlene Beniuk	Councillor
	Sterling Johnson	Councillor

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Manny Deol	Chief Administrative Officer
	Ali Memon	GM, Infrastructure
	John Kokotilo	GM, Protective Services
	Hafsah Moghrabi	GM, Corporate Services
	Mackenzie Zilinski	Senior Executive Assistant
	Heather Reid	Lead Legislative Officer
	Amanda Peterson	Legislative Services Coordinator

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

25.368

MOVED

To adopt the September 23, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended:

-Item 8.11 - Snow Removal Policy Update

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

25.369

MOVED

That the recommendations contained in the following reports be approved:

- Item 8.4 - Agricultural Rental Equipment Fees
- Item 8.7 - Council Expense Claims - August 2025

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

25.370

MOVED

To adopt the September 9, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes as amended.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Councillor Reports

The Councillor Reports Updates were provided as information for Council's review.

DELEGATIONS

7.1 10:15 a.m. Delegation - Crime Stoppers Rural Sign Project

Mr. Derek Bechthold, Executive Director and Ms. Carrie Madu, Program Coordinator both presented the Crime Stoppers Rural Sign Project Delegation and answered any questions.

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25.371

MOVED

To direct Administration to bring forward to a Council Meeting by November 2025 information on options and costing for participation in the Crime Stoppers Program.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

8.2 Report on Petition Sufficiency – Land Use Bylaw 25-010

Ms. Heather Reid, Lead Legislative Officer and Ms. Amanda Peterson, Legislative Services Coordinator both presented the Report on Petition Sufficiency - Land Use Bylaw 25-010 and answered any questions.

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 10:38 a.m. and returned to Chambers at 10:39 p.m.

This item was provided as information for Council's review.

8.3 Bylaw 25-010 Land Use Bylaw - Second and Third Readings

Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Supervisor, Planning and Development presented the Bylaw 25-010 Land Use Bylaw - Second and Third Readings item and answered any questions.

25.372

MOVED

That Bylaw 25-010 be amended by adding Care Facility, Child to the Permitted Uses list under 12.15.1 within Section 12.15 Highway Commercial District (HWC).

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.373

MOVED

That Bylaw 25-010 be amended by adding a "P" under the Highway Commercial District (HWC) land use for Care Facility, Child within the summary table 12.1.2.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.374

MOVED

That Bylaw 25-010 be amended by replacing Appendix A maps with Appendix A – North and Appendix A – South maps.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.375

MOVED

That Bylaw 25-010, as amended, be given second reading this 23rd day of September, 2025.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.376

MOVED

That Bylaw 25-010, as amended, be given third reading this 23rd day of September, 2025.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS Mayor Reutov called a recess at 11:07 a.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

8.4 Agricultural Rental Equipment Fees

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.369 That Council approve the updated Agriculture Rental Equipment rates as presented.

8.5 Coyote Incentive Pilot Program

Mr. Brennan Scott, Agricultural Fieldman and Ms. Alanna Wowk, Agriculture and Strategy Coordinator, presented the Coyote Incentive Pilot Program item and answered any questions.

25.377 **MOVED**
That Council approve the implementation of the Coyote Incentive Pilot Program Policy ENV-63-017 for a two-year period.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

7.2 11:30 a.m. Delegation – Lac La Biche & District Chamber of Commerce & Lac La Biche Pow Wow and Fish Derby Association – Chantel Sparklingeyes and Dylan Craig

Ms. Chantel Sparklingeyes and Mr. Dylan Craig both presented the Lac La Biche & District Chamber of Commerce & Lac La Biche Pow Wow and Fish Derby Association Delegation and answered any questions.

25.378

MOVED

To direct Administration to provide \$5,000 in funding plus in-kind donation of the Bold Centre Fieldhouse including stage and sound to the Lac La Biche Chamber of Commerce and Lac La Biche Pow Wow and Fish Derby Association for the hosting of a Municipal Election Candidate Forum.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

8.6 In-Lake Treatment Roadmap

Ms. Randi Dupras, Manager of Public Works presented the In-Lake Treatment Roadmap item and answered any questions.

This item was provided as information for Council's review.

Mayor Reutov exited Chambers at 12:07 p.m. and Councillor Mondal assumed the role of chair.

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 12:07 p.m.

Mayor Reutov returned to Chambers at 12:08 p.m. and resumed the role of chair.

Councillor Paré returned to Chambers at 12:09 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

7.3 12:00 p.m. - Public Input Session

Mayor Reutov opened the Public Input Session.

Ms. Danita Vallee, Ms. Jamie-Lee, Mr. Bernie Bougie and Mr. Uday Chavan all spoke to Council related to concerns about the clearing work that took place on municipal reserve lands with Holowachuk subdivision.

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25.379

MOVED

To direct Administration to bring forward information on a Public Works Committee for consideration at the Organizational Meeting of the new Council.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.380

MOVED

To direct Administration to bring back a management plan for the Holowachuk subdivision construction to a future Council meeting and further that no additional work is conducted until the plan is brought forward to Council for approval.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.381

MOVED

To direct Administration to bring forward a findings report to the October 7 2025 Regular Council Meeting on the Holowachuk Subdivision construction project.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor Paré, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Reutov called a recess at 1:04 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 1:39 p.m. with all those listed previously in attendance except for Councillor Beniuk and Deputy Mayor Stedman.

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NEW BUSINESS

8.7 Council Expense Claims – August 2025

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

- 25.369 That Council approves the Council expense claims processed for the period of August 31, 2025

8.8 Business Improvement Program Policy

Ms. Hafsah Moghrabi, General Manager Corporate Services presented the Business Improvement Program Policy and answered any questions.

Councillor Beniuk returned to Chambers at 1:41 p.m.

- 25.382 MOVED
That Council approves the Business Improvement Program Policy ED-10-001 as presented.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.9 Draft 2026 Budget

Ms. Hafsah Moghrabi, General Manager Corporate Services presented the Draft 2026 Budget and answered any questions.

- 25.383 MOVED
- That Council schedule Special Council Meetings for 2026 Budget Deliberation for the following dates:
 - November 27, 2025
 - December 11, 2025

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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8.10 Snow Removal Policy Update (Addition)

Ms. Randi Dupras, Manager of Public Works answered questions regarding the Snow Removal Policy Update

25.384

MOVED

To adopt the Snow and Ice Control Policy and Procedure PW-30-009 with the amendments as discussed.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED SESSION

25.385

MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 2:18 p.m. for the following items and pertinent exceptions to disclosure in the Access to Information Act (ATIA):

- s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy
- s.29 ATIA - Advice from Officials
- s.32 ATIA - Privileged Information

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.1 Transitional Housing (s.29 ATIA – Advice from Officials; s.32 ATIA – Privileged Information)

The following Members of Administration were present during Closed Session for presenting and recording purposes: Manny Deol, Hafsah Moghrabi, Ali Memon, John Kokotilo, Mackenzie Zilinski, and Heather Reid.

Councillor Tkachuk left the meeting at 2:59 p.m. and did not return.

9.2 Committee Appointment (s.20 ATIA – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy)

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The following Members of Administration were present during Closed Session for presenting and recording purposes: Manny Deol, Hafsah Moghrabi, Ali Memon, John Kokotilo, Mackenzie Zilinski, and Heather Reid.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

25.386 MOVED
To return to Open Session at 2:59 p.m.

In Favour (7): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk,
Councillor Paré, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

9.1 Transitional Housing (s.29 ATIA - Advice from Officials; s.32 ATIA - Privileged Information)

25.387 MOVED
To direct Administration to send follow up correspondence to the Out of the Elements Shelter contractor for the Transitional Housing facility related to next steps for finalizing an agreement.

In Favour (7): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk,
Councillor Paré, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Committee Appointment (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy)

25.388 MOVED
To appoint Amanny Abougouche to the Economic Development Advisory Committee in the Business & Industry seat for a 3-year term effective September 23, 2025.

In Favour (7): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk,
Councillor Paré, and Councillor Johnson

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Reutov adjourned the September 23, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 3:02 p.m.

Paul Reutov, Mayor

Manny Deol, Chief Administrative Officer