

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

**December 2, 2025-10:00 a.m.**

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held December 2, 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
John Mondal	Councillor/Deputy Mayor
Warren Young	Councillor
Omer Moghrabi	Councillor
Tony Marczak	Councillor
Blair Norton	Councillor
Travis Lansing	Councillor
Victor Toutant	Councillor
David McDonald	Councillor ( <i>Participated electronically</i> )

**STAFF IN  
ATTENDANCE**

Manny Deol	Chief Administrative Officer
Kashif Ijaz	GM, Strategy & Community Growth
Ali Memon	GM, Infrastructure
John Kokotilo	GM, Protective Services
Gary Harman	GM, Recreation and Social Services
Hafsah Moghrabi	GM, Corporate Services
Mackenzie Zilinski	Senior Executive Assistant
Heather Reid	Lead Legislative Officer

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

25.463

**MOVED**

To adopt the December 2, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

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In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

25.464

**MOVED**

That the recommendations contained in the following reports be approved:

- Item 4.1 - November 4, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- Item 8.5 - Quarterly Financial Reports for the Period Ended September 30, 2025
- Item 8.6 - Councillor Expense Claims - October 2025

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

4.1 November 4, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.464

To adopt the November 4, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

## **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. Lac La Biche Library Board Annual Presentation

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Ms. Nancy Broadbent, Chair and Mr. David Cheyne, Director both presented the Lac La Biche Library Board Annual Presentation and responded to questions.

25.465

**MOVED**

To direct Administration to bring forward information on the Library Board additional funding request to the 2026 budget deliberations.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.2 10:45 a.m. Portage College Update

Ms. Nancy Broadbent and Dr. Stephen Price both presented the Portage College Update and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Mondal exited Council Chambers at 10:41 a.m. and returned to Chambers at 10:42 a.m.

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

8.2 Land Lease Renewal Request - ML-25-005

Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Supervisor Planning & Development presented the Land Lease Renewal Request - ML-25-005 item and responded to questions.

25.466

**MOVED**

To direct Administration to bring forward comparisons, including provincial lease rates, and options on all County lease land to revise Policy PD-61-004 Land Lease Policy and further to provide a 6-month extension at the current rate to the lessee to allow time for administration to bring forward information.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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### 8.3 Capital Projects Monthly Report

Ms. Hafsah Moghrabi, GM Corporate Services and Mr. Ali Memon, GM Infrastructure both presented the Capital Projects Monthly Report and responded to questions.

The Capital Projects Monthly Report was provided as information for Council's review.

### 8.4 Revamping of the Lac La Biche County Water Tower Project

Mr. Ali Memon, GM Infrastructure presented the Revamping of the Lac La Biche County Water Tower Project item and responded to questions.

25.467

**MOVED**

To direct Administration to proceed with completion of the water tower within the original scope of work and further to include a timer switch for lighting control of the water tower.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **RECESS**

Mayor Reutov called a recess at 11:54 p.m.

### **RECONVENE**

Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 12:04 p.m. with all those previously listed in attendance except for Councillor Moghrabi.

### **PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

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

Councillor Moghrabi returned to Chambers at 12:05 p.m.

Ms. Danita Vallee and Ms. Jamie-Lee Doran spoke to Council related to concerns about clearing work that took place on municipal reserve lands within the Holowachuk subdivision

Mr. Ian Cloutier spoke to Council about concerns related to the water tower project.

**RECESS** Mayor Reutov called a recess at 12:21 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 12:51 p.m. with all those previously listed in attendance except for Councillor Moghrabi.

**NEW BUSINESS**

8.5 Quarterly Financial Reports for the Period Ended September 30, 2025

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.464 That Council accept the Quarterly Financial Report for the period ended September 30, 2025, as information.

8.6 Councillor Expense Claims - October 2025

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.464 That Council approves the Council expense claims processed for the period of October 31, 2025.

8.7 Terms and Conditions for 2025 Public Auction of Tax Recovery Properties

Ms. Hafsah Moghrabi, GM Corporate Services presented the Terms and Conditions for 2025 Public Auction of Tax Recovery Properties and responded to questions.

25.468 **MOVED**  
That Council approves the Terms and Conditions for 2025 Public Auction of Tax Recovery Properties as presented.

In Favour (8): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, and Deputy Mayor Mondal

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.8 Speed Limit Reduction Request - Highway 55 & Intersection Lighting - Alberta Transportation & Economic Corridors

Ms. Mackenzie Zilinski, Senior Executive Assistant presented the Speed Limit Reduction Request - Highway 55 & Intersection Lighting - Alberta Transportation & Economic Corridors item and responded to questions.

Councillor Moghrabi returned to Chambers at 1:01 p.m.

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25.469

MOVED

That Council direct Administration to prepare additional letters to Minister Devin Dreeshen, Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors, outlining the specific request to reduce the speed limit, as listed within the report, and increased lighting improvements on Provincially owned intersections.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.9 Lakeland Industry & Community Association (LICA) - Council Appointment Request

Ms. Heather Reid, Lead Legislative Officer presented the Lakeland Industry & Community Association (LICA) - Council Appointment Request and responded to questions.

25.470

MOVED

That Councillor Norton be appointed to the Lakeland Industry and Community Association until the 2026 Organizational Meeting of Council.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CLOSED SESSION**

25.471

MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 1:17 p.m. for the following items and pertinent exceptions to the disclosure in the Access to Information Act (ATIA):

- s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

9.1 Committee Appointments (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy)

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

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

25.472

**MOVED**

To return to open session at 1:34 p.m.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

9.1 Committee Appointments (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy)

25.473

**MOVED**

To appoint Alyssa Belanger-Haig to the Watershed Management Plan Implementation Committee as a Member-at-Large for a one-year term effective December 2, 2025.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

25.474

MOVED

To appoint Kal Polturak to the Economic Development Advisory Committee in the Community Futures seat for a three-year term effective December 2, 2025 to December 2, 2028.

In Favour (9): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Young, Councillor McDonald, Councillor Lansing, Councillor Norton, Councillor Toutant, Councillor Marczak, Deputy Mayor Mondal, and Councillor Moghrabi

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

Mayor Reutov called a recess at 1:38 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 1:47 p.m. with all those previously listed in attendance.

#### **SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS**

7.4 2:45 p.m. Presentation - Aquatic Centre Update

Mr. Michael Harbison and Mr. Dave West, Turnbull Construction Project Managers both presented the Aquatic Centre Update and responded to questions.

The presentation was provided as information for Council's review.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Reutov adjourned the December 2, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 2:04 p.m.

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Paul Reutov, Mayor

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Manny Deol, Chief Administrative Officer

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