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

# February 27, 2024- 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held February 27, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

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

**PRESENT** Paul Reutov Mayor

Sterling Johnson Councillor Kevin Paré Councillor Jason Stedman Councillor

Charlyn Moore Councillor/Deputy Mayor

Colette Borgun Councillor
Darlene Beniuk Councillor
John Mondal Councillor

STAFF IN Manny Deol Chief Administrative Officer

**ATTENDANCE** Melanie McConnell Associate CAO, Corporate Services

Darrell Lessmeister Associate CAO, Recreation and Community

Services

Zeeshan Hasan Associate CAO, Finance and Planning /

Acting Director Human Resources
Legislative Services Coordinator

**REGRETS** Lorin Tkachuk Councillor

Heather Reid

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

24.070 MOVED

To adopt the February 27, 2024 Regular Council Meeting

agenda as presented.

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

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

4.1 Consent Agenda – February 27, 2024

#### 24.071 MOVED

That the recommendations contained in the following reports be approved:

- Item 4.1 February 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and February 13, 2024 Strategic Committee of Council Meeting Minutes
- Item 8.3 Councillor Expense Claims January 2024

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

4.1 February 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and February 13, 2024 Strategic Committee of Council Meeting Minutes

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

24.071

To adopt the February 13, 2024 Regular Council Meeting minutes and February 13, 2024 Strategic Committee of Council minutes as presented.

# **PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

7.1 Public Input Session - Report to Consider Cancellation for February 27, 2024

Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO Corporate Services presented the Public Input Session - Report to Consider Cancellation for February 27, 2024 and responded to questions.

24.072 MOVED

To waive Provision 9(1) of the Meetings Procedure Bylaw, and further to cancel the February 27, 2024 Public Input Session.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 8.1 Councillor Reports

Each Member of Council in attendance presented their Councillor Reports update to Council as information.

8.2 Bylaw 24-010 School Reserve Designation - Three Readings

Mr. Zeeshan Hasan, Associate CAO Finance and Planning and Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Planning & Development Officer presented Bylaw 24-010 School Reserve Designation - Three Readings and responded to questions.

24.073 MOVED

That Bylaw 24-010 be given first reading this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

24.074 MOVED

That Bylaw 24-010 be given second reading this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

24.075 MOVED

That Bylaw 24-010 be submitted for third and final reading this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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

24.076 MOVED

That Bylaw 24-010 be given third reading this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 8.3 Councillor Expense Claims – January 2024

The following motion was approved on the consent agenda:

24.071 That Council approves the Councillor expense claims processed for the period of January 2024.

# 8.4 Highway 881 Traffic Meeting

Ms. McConnell presented the Highway 881 Traffic Meeting item and responded to questions.

24.077 MOVED

That Council appoint Deputy Mayor Moore to attend the Highway 881 Traffic Meetings.

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

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **CLOSED SESSION**

24.078 MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 10:19 a.m. in accordance with the Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act.

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

9.1 Integrity Commissioner Appointment (s.24 FOIP - Advice from officials; s.25 FOIP - Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording: Manny Deol, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, Darrell Lessmeister, Mackenzie Zilinski and Heather Reid.

There were no members of Administration present for a portion of the discussion.

9.2 CAO Update (s.24 FOIP - Advice from officials)

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording: Manny Deol, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, Darrell Lessmeister, Mackenzie Zilinski and Heather Reid.

## RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

24.079 MOVED

To return to Open Session at 11:26 a.m.

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

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

9.1 Integrity Commissioner Appointment (s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials)

24.080 MOVED

That Council extends the appointment of Jamie Pytel/Kingsgate Legal as the Integrity Commissioner, serving as the third-party Investigator under Council's Code of Conduct Bylaw, for a 60-day term beginning March 15, 2024 to complete existing files subject to the terms outlined in the retainer agreement approved on March 14, 2023.

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

Opposed (1): Councillor Beniuk

**CARRIED** 

# 9.2 CAO Update (s.24 FOIP - Advice from officials)

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

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Reutov adjourned the February 27, 2024 Regular Council Meeting at 11:28 a.m.

