# LAC LA BICHE COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING February 8, 2022

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held February 8, 2022 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 Reutov called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

PRESENT Paul Reutov Mayor	r
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Jason Stedman
John Mondal
Colette Borgun
Darlene Beniuk
Kevin Paré
Charlyn Moore
Councillor
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Lorin Tkachuk Councillor/Deputy Mayor

Sterling Johnson Councillor (participated electronically)

STAFF IN

**ATTENDANCE** Dan Small Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Melanie McConnell Associate Chief Administrative Officer,

Corporate Services

Darrell Lessmeister Associate Chief Administrative Officer,

Recreation & Community Services (in part/participated electronically)

Brian Shapka Associate Chief Administrative Officer,

Infrastructure Services (in part)

Kashif Ijaz Director, Human Resources (in

part/participated electronically)
Legislative Services Coordinator

Mackenzie Zilinski CAO Executive Assistant (participated

*electronically*)

# ADOPTION OF AGENDA

22.098 MOVED

Heather Reid

To adopt the February 8, 2022, Regular Council Meeting

agenda as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

22.099 MOVED

To adopt the January 27, 2022, Special Council Meeting minutes and the February 1, 2022, Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **DELEGATION**

6.1 10:15 a.m. Delegation - 2022 Event Grant Request - Festival of Speed - Ken Staples and Dave Phillips, Lac La Biche Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Ken Staples and Mr. Dave Philips with the Festival of Speed presented to Council on the 2022 Event Grant Request and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Tkachuk exited Chambers at 10:12 a.m. and returned at 10:15 a.m.

22.100 MOVED

That Council approves \$30,000 in Event Grant Funding for the 2022 Festival of Speed Event with a \$5,000 contingency fund for additional events.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

22.101 MOVED

To thank Mr. Staples and Mr. Phillips for the presentation to Council.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1 Councillor Reports

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

Councillor Stedman:

Lac La Biche Regional Health Foundation meeting

Deputy Mayor Tkachuk:

- First Nations Educators Conference
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference

## Councillor Johnson:

- Lakeland Industry and Community Association meeting
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference
- First Nations Educators Conference

#### Councillor Moore:

- First Nations Educators Conference
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference

# Councillor Borgun:

- Agricultural Services Board meeting
- First Nations Educators Conference
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference

# Councillor Beniuk:

- First Nations Educators Conference
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference

## Councillor Mondal:

- First Nations Educators Conference
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference
- Ward 7 Meeting with CAO

## Councillor Paré:

- First Nations Educators Conference
- RMRF Municipal Law Virtual Conference
- Lac La Biche Chamber of Commerce meeting

## Mayor Reutov:

- Responded to resident questions
- Attended a meeting on tourism land matter
- Attended a meeting on community hall matter
- Attended a meeting on doctor retention and recruitment
- Ongoing discussions with community business leaders

#### 22.102 MOVED

To accept the Councillor Reports as information.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.2 Bylaw 21-036 - Lac La Biche County Aquatics Centre Project Debenture - Second and Third Reading

Mr. Dan Small, Acting Chief Administrative Officer and Zeeshan Hasan, Manager of Finance presented the Bylaw 21-036 - Lac La Biche County Aquatics Centre Project Debenture - Second and Third Reading

22.103 MOVED

That Bylaw 21-036 be given second reading this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

22.104 MOVED

That Bylaw 21-036 be given third and final reading this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.3 Lac La Biche Watershed Management Plan Implementation

Ms. Molly Fyten, Manager of Environmental Services, presented the Lac La Biche Watershed Management Plan Implementation and responded to questions.

Mayor Reutov exited Chambers at 11:00 a.m. and Deputy Mayor Tkachuk assumed the role of the Chair. Mayor Reutov returned to Chambers at 11:03 a.m. and resumed the role of the Chair.

Councillor Stedman exited Chambers at 11:04 a.m. and returned at 11:06 a.m.

22.105 MOVED

That Council accepts the Lac La Biche Watershed Management Plan (WMP) Implementation report as information, and furthermore, that Council approves Administration to proceed with the formation of an internal Implementation Committee, for which a bylaw and terms of reference will first be developed and approved by Council.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.4 Records Management Budget Proposed Operating Initiative (POI) - Change of Scope

Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO Corporate Services, presented the Records Management Budget Proposed Operating Initiative (POI) - Change of Scope and responded to questions.

# 22.106 MOVED

To approve the revised use of the budgeted \$25,000, originally allocated to the Corporate Process Mapping (Consulting Services) Initiative, for general consulting services within the Records Management budget.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.5 Special Council Meeting - Community Group Presentations & 2023 Budget Deliberations

Ms. McConnell presented the Special Council Meeting - Community Group Presentations & 2023 Budget Deliberations and responded to questions.

Councillor Stedman exited Chambers at 11:30 a.m. and returned at 11:32 a.m.

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 11:30 a.m. and returned at 11:32 a.m.

22.107 MOVED

To schedule a Special Council meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. dedicated to community group presentations.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

22.108 MOVED

To schedule a Special Council meeting on Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. dedicated to 2023 budget deliberations.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

22.109 MOVED

To direct Administration to bring forward to the March 7 Special Council Meeting the Engineering Inspection Reports on Community Halls, and further that the report includes inspection information on the Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society Community Hall.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.6 Council Correspondence - Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society

Ms. Zilinski, CAO Executive Assistant, presented the Council Correspondence - Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society and responded to questions.

# 22.110 MOVED

That Council direct Administration to work with the Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society on their upcoming presentation to the March 7 Special Council Meeting scheduled for grant funding requests.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

There were no registered speakers for the public input session.

**RECESS** Mayor Reutov called a recess at 11:55 a.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 12:50 p.m. with all those

Members of Council previously listed in attendance with the exception of

Councillor Stedman.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

## 22.111 MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 12:52 p.m. for the closed session agenda items pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

8.3 Wastewater Treatment (BNR) Plant Contract (s.16 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials, s.25 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.3 Wastewater Treatment (BNR) Plant Contract (s.16 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part, 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: Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Brian Shapka, Darrell Lessmeister (in part), Zeeshan Hasan, John Andersen, Jon Skjersven, Mackenzie Girard, and Heather Reid.

## **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

22.112 MOVED

To return to Open Session at 1:27 p.m.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **DELEGATION**

6.3 1:30 p.m. Delegation - New Aquatic Centre Process - Rob Parks and Mike Roma, RC Strategies

Mr. Rob Parks and Mr. Mike Roma with RC Strategies presented to Council on the New Aquatic Centre Process and responded to questions.

Councillor Beniuk exited Chambers at 1:36 p.m. and returned at 1:38 p.m.

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 1:46 p.m. and returned at 1:49 p.m.

22.113 MOVED

That County Council accepts new Aquatics Centre concept as information, and further that Council directs Administration to move forward with the Construction Management process for the development of the new Aquatics Centre.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

22.114 MOVED

To thank Mr. Parks and Mr. Roma for the presentation to Council.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# **EXTENSION OF MEETING**

22.115 MOVED

To extend the February 8, 2022, Regular Council Meeting until all agenda items have been addressed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **CLOSED SESSION**

#### 22.116 MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 2:10 p.m. for the closed session agenda items pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

- 8.1 3:00 p.m. Delegation Telus Fibre Optics (s.16 FOIP Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part, s.24 FOIP Advice from officials, s.25 FOIP Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)
- 8.2 Procurement Audit Engagement (s.26 FOIP Test Procedures, Tests and Audits)
- 8.4 2021 Tax and Utility Accounts Receivable Write Offs (s.17 FOIP Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.24 FOIP Advice from officials)
- 8.5 Land Matters (s.24 FOIP Advice from officials, s.25 FOIP Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)
- 8.6 Doctor Recruitment Update (s.17 FOIP –
  Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.25 FOIP –
  Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)
- 8.7 Chief Administrative Officer Search Update (s.17 FOIP Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.24 FOIP Advice from officials)

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.4 2021 Tax and Utility Accounts Receivable Write Offs (s.17 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials)

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording: Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, John Andersen, Jon Skjersven, Mackenzie Girard, Kashif Ijaz and Heather Reid.

8.5 Land Matters (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: Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, John Andersen, Mackenzie Girard, Kashif Ijaz and Heather Reid.

8.6 Doctor Recruitment Update (s.17 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, 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: Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, John Andersen, Mackenzie Girard, Kashif Ijaz and Heather Reid.

**RECESS** Mayor Reutov called a recess at 3:07p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 3:12 p.m. with all those

Members of Council previously listed in attendance with the exception of

Councillor Stedman.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

8.1 3:00 p.m. Delegation - Telus Fibre Optics (s.16 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part, 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: Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, Darrell Lessmeister (in part), Mackenzie Girard, Kashif Ijaz and Heather Reid.

Mayor Reutov exited Chambers at 3:49 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Tkachuk assumed the role of the Chair. Mayor Reutov returned to Chambers at 3:50 p.m. and resumed the role of the Chair.

8.2 Procurement Audit Engagement (s.26 FOIP – Test Procedures, Tests and Audits)

Councillor Stedman returned to Chambers at 4:03 p.m.

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording: Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Zeeshan Hasan, Darrell Lessmeister, Mackenzie Girard, Kashif Ijaz and Heather Reid.

**RECESS** Mayor Reutov called a recess at 4:30 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 4:35 p.m. with all those

Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

8.7 Chief Administrative Officer Search Update (s.17 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials)

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording: Kashif Ijaz

## BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

22.117 MOVED

To return to Open Session at 5:12 p.m.

## CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

8.1 3:00 p.m. Delegation - Telus Fibre Optics (s.16 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials, s.25 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

22.118 MOVED

That Council move forward as proposed by TELUS as discussed in Closed Session.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.2 Procurement Audit Engagement (s.26 FOIP – Test Procedures, tests and audits)

22.119 MOVED

That Council directs Administration and the Auditor to bring forward amendments to the Procurement Process Limited Assurance Engagement as discussed in closed session.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.3 Wastewater Treatment (BNR) Plant Contract (s.16 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third part, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials, s.25 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

# 22.120 MOVED

To proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.4 Land Matters (s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials, s.25 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

## 22.121 MOVED

To proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.5 2021 Tax and Utility Accounts Receivable Write Offs (s.17 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials)

## 22.122 MOVED

That Council approves Administration to write off the uncollectable tax and utility accounts receivable as listed below in the amount of \$3,205.71 as of December 31, 2021.

Tax Accounts Receivable	
Roll#	Amount
661XXXXX22	\$2,465.78
TOTAL	\$2,465.78

Utility Accounts Receivable	
Account #	Amount
10XXXX.03	\$739.93
TOTAL	\$739.93

Tax and Utility Accounts Receivable Total	\$3,205.71

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 22.123 MOVED

That Council directs Administration to bring forward a Manufactured Home Bylaw at a future Council meeting.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.6 Doctor Recruitment Update (s.17 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.25 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body)

# 22.124 MOVED

To direct Administration to bring forward the options as discussed in Closed Session to a future Council meeting.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.7 Chief Administrative Officer Search Update (s.17 FOIP – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy, s.24 FOIP – Advice from officials)

22.125 MOVED

To proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **ADJOURNMENT**

22.126 MOVED

To adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of February 8, 2022 at 5:25 p.m.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Paul Reutov, Mayor

Dan Small
Acting Chief Administrative Officer