

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

**May 12, 2020**

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held May 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Public access to this meeting was provided via electronic means through telephone conferencing and video conferencing in accordance with Lac La Biche County Council Procedure Bylaw 19-027, and amendments thereto, and the *Municipal Government Act*.

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

**PRESENT**

Omer Moghrabi	Mayor
Charlyn Moore	Councillor / Deputy Mayor
Darlene Beniuk	Councillor
George L'Heureux	Councillor
Colette Borgun	Councillor
Jason Stedman	Councillor
Sterling Johnson	Councillor
Colin Cote	Councillor
Lorin Tkachuk	Councillor

**STAFF IN  
ATTENDANCE**

Ken Van Buul	Interim Chief Administrative Officer
Dan Small	Assistant Chief Administrative Officer
Melanie McConnell	Senior Manager, Legislative & Information Services ( <i>participated by video conference</i> )
Darrell Lessmeister	Senior Manager, Recreation & Community Enhancement ( <i>in part / participated by video conference</i> )
Brian Shapka	Senior Manager, Public Works ( <i>in part / participated by video conference</i> )
Jihad Moghrabi	Communications Manager ( <i>in part / participated by video conference</i> )
Heather Reid	Legislative Services Coordinator ( <i>participated by video conference</i> )
Danielle Cardinal	Legislative Services Coordinator ( <i>participated by video conference</i> )

**REGRETS**

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

20.373

**MOVED**

To approve the May 12, 2020 Regular Council Meeting agenda as amended:

Addition of Item:

- 7.13 Letter of Support – Lakeland Interpretive Society (Request for Decision).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

3.1 May 5, 2020 – Regular Council Meeting.

20.374

**MOVED**

To adopt the May 5, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes as circulated.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **URGENT MATTERS**

There were no urgent matters.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were no public hearings.

## **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

## **PUBLIC INPUT SESSION**

The public input session has been suspended until September 30, 2020.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1 Councillor Reports (Briefing)

Councillor Borgun:

- Meeting with Transportation
- Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) meeting

Deputy Mayor Moore

- Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) meeting

Councillor Cote

- Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) meeting
- Interagency meeting

Councillor Beniuk

- One-on-one meeting with the CAO / ward tour
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) meeting
- Public Library Services meeting on board governance

Councillor Cote exited Chambers at 10:05 a.m. and returned at 10:06 a.m.

Councillor L'Heureux

- Submitted a written report of activities, as distributed with the agenda

Councillor Johnson – nothing to report

Councillor Tkachuk:

- Rural Crime Prevention National meeting
- Alberta Hub Executive meeting
- One-on-one meeting with the CAO / ward tour
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) meeting

Councillor Stedman – nothing to report

Mayor Moghrabi:

- Rural Crime Prevention National meeting

20.375

MOVED

To accept the Councillor Report Briefing as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.2 2020 Tax Rate Bylaw (Request for Decision)

Mr. Dan Small, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer and Mr. Zeeshan Hasan, Manager of Finance, presented the 2020 Tax Rate Bylaw Request for Decision and responded to questions.

20.376 MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-014 be given first reading this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Johnson  
Councillor Cote  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Deputy Mayor Moore  
Councillor L'Heureux

**CARRIED**

20.377 MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-014 be given second reading this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Johnson  
Councillor Cote  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Deputy Mayor Moore  
Councillor L'Heureux

**CARRIED**

20.378 MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-014 be submitted for third and final reading this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

20.379 MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-014 be given third and final reading this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor L'Heureux  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Johnson  
Councillor Cote  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Deputy Mayor Moore

**CARRIED**

7.3 2020 Tax Payment and Penalty Deferral Bylaw (RFD)

Mr. Small and Mr. Hasan presented the 2020 Tax Payment and Penalty Deferral Bylaw Request for Decision and responded to questions.

20.380            MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-015 be given first reading on this  
12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Deputy Mayor Moore  
Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor L'Heureux  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Johnson  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Councillor Cote

**CARRIED**

20.381            MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-015 be given second reading on this  
12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Deputy Mayor Moore  
Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor L'Heureux  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Johnson  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Councillor Cote

**CARRIED**

20.382            MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-015 be submitted for third and final  
reading on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

20.383

MOVED

That Bylaw 20-015 be given third and final reading on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

- Mayor Moghrabi
- Deputy Mayor Moore
- Councillor Beniuk
- Councillor L'Heureux
- Councillor Borgun
- Councillor Stedman
- Councillor Johnson
- Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

- Councillor Cote

**CARRIED**

7.4 Bylaw 20-013 Mission Beach Subdivision Phase 2 and 3 Local Improvement Tax - Third Reading (Request for Decision)

Mr. Small and Mr. Hasan presented the Bylaw 20-013 Mission Beach Subdivision Phase 2 and 3 Local Improvement Tax - Third Reading Request for Decision and responded to questions.

20.384

MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 10:42 a.m for the following items and pertinent exceptions to the disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act:

7.4 Bylaw 20-013 Mission Beach Subdivision Phase 2 and 3 Local Improvement Tax – Third Reading (Request for Decision) (s.27 FOIP – Privileged Information)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 10:42 a.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 10:53 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

20.385                      MOVED  
To proceed with the meeting in open session at 11:30 a.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**                      Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 11:30 a.m.

**RECONVENE**                Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:40 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

7.4      Bylaw 20-013 Mission Beach Subdivision Phase 2 and 3 Local Improvement Tax - Third Reading (Request for Decision) continued...

Mr. Small and Mr. Hasan continued presenting on Bylaw 20-013 Mission Beach Subdivision Phase 2 and 3 Local Improvement Tax - Third Reading Request for Decision and responded to questions.

20.386                      MOVED  
That Bylaw 20-013 be given third and final reading this 12th day of May 2020.

**In Favour**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Deputy Mayor Moore  
Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Cote  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Councillor L'Heureux  
Councillor Johnson

**CARRIED**

7.5      CAO Approved Budget Transfers (Briefing)

Mr. Small and Mr. Hasan presented the CAO Approved Budget Transfers Briefing and responded to questions.

20.387                      MOVED  
To accept the CAO Approved Budget Transfers Briefing as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.6 Community Cemetery Improvement Program - 2020 (Request for Decision)

Mr. Small and Mr. Carl Kurppa, Grants & Community Funding Coordinator, presented the Community Cemetery Improvement Program - 2020 Request for Decision and responded to questions.

20.388

**MOVED**

That Council approves funding for the five applications under the Community Cemetery improvement program in the amount of \$61,219.40 as identified in Option 2, which includes \$17,219.40 being reallocated from the Event Sponsorship budget to the cemetery grant budget.

**In Favour**

Mayor Moghrabi  
Councillor L'Heureux  
Councillor Borgun  
Councillor Stedman  
Councillor Johnson  
Councillor Tkachuk

**Opposed**

Deputy Mayor Moore  
Councillor Beniuk  
Councillor Cote

**CARRIED**

7.7 Graduation Street Banners (Briefing)

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Senior Manager of Recreation & Community Enhancement, presented the Graduation Street Banners Briefing and responded to questions.

20.389

**MOVED**

To direct Administration to move forward with the graduation street banners that includes an in-kind donation as well as a \$4000 contribution towards costs for banner production.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.8 Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Distinguished Art Awards - Budget (Request for Decision)

Ms. Jana Rowe, Tourism, Marketing & Economic Development Coordinator, presented the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Distinguished Art Awards - Budget Request for Decision and responded to questions.



20.390

MOVED

That Lac La Biche County allocates \$35,000 in expenditures from the 2020 accumulated surplus, plus \$42,500 in revenues and \$35,000 in expenditures from the 2021 operating budget to host the 2021 Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Distinguished Art Awards.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:06 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 12:45 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

7.9 Brushing for Mystic Beach Road TWP 682A (Briefing)

Mr. Brian Shapka, Senior Manager of Public Works, presented the Brushing for Mystic Beach Road TWP 682A Briefing and responded to questions.

20.391

MOVED

To accept the Brushing for Mystic Beach Road TWP 682A Briefing as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.10 Mandatory Water and Sewer Connections (Request for Decision Following Notice of Motion)

Councillor Stedman presented the Mandatory Water and Sewer Connections Request for Decision Following Notice of Motion.

20.392

MOVED

To direct Administration to bring forward options relating to the mandatory water and sewer connection program, including extension of the mandatory connection period and exemptions for properties that have environmentally compliant on-site services.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.11 Mission Village Phase 2 Services (Request for Decision Following Notice of Motion)

Councillor Stedman presented the Mission Village Phase 2 Services Request for Decision Following Notice of Motion.

20.393                    MOVED  
To direct Administration to consult/survey residents from Mission Village Phase 2 regarding water and sewer servicing, as well as curbside collection of waste and recycling material, and report back to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.12 Plamondon Lane W 99 St (Request for Decision Following Notice of Decision)

Councillor Borgun presented the Plamondon Lane W 99 St Request for Decision Following Notice of Decision.

20.394                    MOVED  
To direct Administration to bring forward to the May 26, 2020 Regular Council meeting engineering and project costs related to ditching, road improvements and paving for Lane W 99 St in the Hamlet of Plamondon; and further that Lane W 99 St project be added to the County's capital project list for future prioritization by Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

20.395                    MOVED  
To direct Administration to bring forward costing for paving of 101 Ave in Plamondon where curb and gutter is to be replaced to the May 26, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.13 Letter of Support – Lakeland Interpretive Society (Request for Decision)

Mr. Small and Mr. Kurppa presented the Letter of Support – Lakeland Interpretive Society Request for Decision and responded to questions.

20.396                    MOVED  
To approve the letter of support for the Lakeland Interpretive Society's application under the Community Initiatives Program (CIP).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CLOSED SESSION**

20.397                    MOVED  
To go into Closed Session at 1:22 p.m. for the following items and pertinent exceptions to the disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act:

- 8.1      Land Matter (s.24(1) Advice from Officials; s.25 Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) (Briefing)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**                    Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 1:22 p.m.

**RECONVENE**            Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:27 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 8.1      Land Matter (s.24(1) Advice from Officials; s.25 Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) (Briefing)

Members of Administration present for the purposes of presenting and recording: Ken Van Bul, Dan Small, Melanie McConnell, Heather Reid, and Danielle Cardinal.

**RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

20.398                    MOVED  
To proceed with the meeting in open session at 1:53 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**                    Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 1:54 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF “CLOSED SESSION”**

8.1 Land Matter (s.24(1) Advice from Officials; s.25 Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) (Briefing)

20.399 **MOVED**  
To direct Administration to proceed on the Land Matter as discussed during Closed Session.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

There were no Notices of Motion.

**ADJOURNMENT**

20.400 **MOVED**  
To adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of May 12, 2020 at 2:01 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Omer Moghrabi, Mayor**

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**Ken Van Buul**  
**Interim Chief Administrative Officer**