

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

July 22, 2025-10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held July 22, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Reutov called the meeting to order at 10:05 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 10:15 a.m.</i>)
	Sterling Johnson	Councillor (<i>Participated electronically, joined at 11:51 a.m. / departed at 2:06 p.m.</i>)
	Colette Borgun	Councillor
	Darlene Beniuk	Councillor

REGRETS	Lorin Tkachuk	Councillor
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STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Manny Deol	Chief Administrative Officer
	Kashif Ijaz	GM, Strategy & Community Growth
	Hafsah Moghrabi	GM, Corporate Services
	Mackenzie Zilinski	Senior Executive Assistant
	Heather Reid	Lead Legislative Officer
	Abigail Hilligas	Legislative Support Clerk

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

25.314

MOVED

To adopt the July 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

25.315

MOVED

That the recommendations contained in the following reports be approved:

- Item 4.1 - July 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- Item 8.3 - Council Expense Claims - June 2025

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 July 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.315

To adopt the July 8, 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.

Deputy Mayor Stedman exited the meeting at 10:15 a.m. and did not return.

DELEGATIONS

7.1 10:15 a.m. Delegation - TC Energy - Leming Lake Sales Lateral Loop Update

Chelsea Troup, Devon James, and Avery McLelland - TC Energy presented the TC Energy - Leming Lake Sales Lateral Loop Update delegation and responded to questions.

This item was received as information.

NEW BUSINESS

8.2 Bylaw 25-010 - Land Use Bylaw - First Reading

Ms. Sheera Bourassa, Supervisor, Planning & Development presented Bylaw 25-010 - Land Use Bylaw - First Reading and responded to questions.

25.316 MOVED

That Bylaw 25-010 be given first reading this 22nd day of July, 2025.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Council Expense Claims – June 2025

The following motion was approved on the Consent Agenda:

25.315 That Council approves the Council expense claims processed for the period of June 30, 2025.

8.4 Economic Development Advisory Committee Communication Model

Mr. Kashif Ijaz, GM, Strategy & Community Growth presented the Economic Development Advisory Committee Communication Model and responded to questions.

Councillor Beniuk exited Chambers at 10:37 a.m. and returned to Chambers at 10:38 a.m.

25.317 MOVED

That Council approve Communication Model C as the framework for interaction between Council and the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC).

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 Cold Mix - Township Road 660A and Range Road 134

Ms. Randi Dupras, Manager Public Works presented the Cold Mix - Township Road 660A and Range Road 134 item and responded to questions.

25.318

MOVED

That Council approve the cold mix surface repairs at the intersection of Township Road 660A and Range Road 134, located within the Beaver Lake Cree Nation boundary.

In Favour (2): Councillor Mondal, and Councillor Paré

Opposed (4): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, and Councillor Beniuk

DEFEATED

25.319

MOVED

To direct Administration to engage with Beaver Lake Cree Nation on cost recovery option, and if they support, to proceed with a cost-recovery agreement to complete the cold mix work for Township Road 660A and Range Road 134.

In Favour (5): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, and Councillor Paré

Opposed (1): Councillor Beniuk

CARRIED

RECESS

Mayor Reutov called a recess at 11:12 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 11:18 a.m. with all those listed previously in attendance except for Councillor Mondal.

PRESENTATIONS

7.2 11:00 a.m. Presentation - Strategic Evolution: Transforming the Law Enforcement Training Centre (LETC)

Mr. Chris Manuel, Senior Advisor Strategic Initiatives, Mr. Alex Brann, Training Manager - Law Enforcement Training Centre, and Nancy Broadbent, President of Portage College presented the Strategic Evolution: Transforming the Law Enforcement Training Centre (LETC) presentation and responded to questions.

Councillor Mondal returned to Chambers at 11:19 a.m.

Councillor Johnson joined the meeting at 11:51 a.m.

25.320

MOVED

To direct Administration to proceed with establishing the Alberta Public Safety Institute to serve as a comprehensive multi-disciplinary training hub based in Lac La Biche and further to bring forward a budget plan related to the strategic vision updates presented for the Law Enforcement Training Centre to a future Regular Council Meeting.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

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

The following individuals presented to Council during the Public Input Session:

Ms. Lavonne Fleming shared concerns with Council related to process, budget planning and infrastructure needs.

Mr. Shawn McDonald and Mr. Ian Cloutier, Lac La Biche Pow Wow and Fish Derby Association Board Members presented to Council to thank them for their support.

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 12:22 p.m. and returned at 12:23 p.m.

RECESS Mayor Reutov called a recess at 12:25 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Reutov reconvened the meeting at 1:02 p.m. with all those previously listed in attendance except for Councillor Paré.

NEW BUSINESS

8.6 Chief Administrative Officer Update

Mr. Manny Deol, Chief Administrative Officer presented the Chief Administrative Officer Update and responded to questions.

Councillor Paré returned to Chambers at 1:03 p.m.

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 1:15 p.m. and returned at the same time.

CLOSED SESSION

25.321

MOVED

To go into Closed Session at 1:27 p.m. pursuant to the Access to Information Act.

- s.20 ATIA – Disclosure harmful to personal privacy
- s.29 ATIA – Advice from officials

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.1 Transitional Housing (s.29 ATIA - Advice from officials)

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

Councillor Paré exited Chambers at 1:44 p.m. and returned to Chambers at 1:45 p.m.

Councillor Borgun exited Chambers at 1:49 p.m. and returned to Chambers at the same time.

Councillor Beniuk exited Chambers at 1:54 p.m. and returned to Chambers at 1:59 p.m.

9.2 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, Mackenzie Zilinski, and Heather Reid.

Councillor Johnson exited the meeting at 2:06 p.m. and did not return.

9.3 Change to Mill Rate - Request 1 (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy; s.29 ATIA - Advice from officials)

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

9.4 Change to Mill Rate - Request 2 (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy; s.29 ATIA - Advice from officials)

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

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

25.322 MOVED
To return to Open Session at 2:18 p.m.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk,
and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

9.1 Transitional Housing (s.29 ATIA - Advice from officials)

25.323 MOVED
To direct Administration to bring forward a revised draft
agreement to a future Regular Council Meeting.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk,
and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

25.324 MOVED
To appoint Normand Durocher and Jennifer Gauthier to the
Safer Municipalities Advisory Committee effective July 22,
2025 to July 22, 2027.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk,
and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.3 Change to Mill Rate - Request 1 (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal
privacy; s.29 ATIA - Advice from officials)

25.325

MOVED

To direct Administration to deny request 1 and further to reply in writing as discussed in Closed Session.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 9.4 Change to Mill Rate - Request 2 (s.20 ATIA - Disclosure harmful to personal privacy; s.29 ATIA - Advice from officials)

25.326

MOVED

To direct Administration to deny request 2 and further to reply in writing as discussed in Closed Session.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

25.327

MOVED

To direct Administration to review subclass mill rate options for rural businesses in the 2026 budget.

In Favour (6): Mayor Reutov, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Mondal, Councillor Beniuk, and Councillor Paré

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Reutov adjourned the July 22, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Paul Reutov, Mayor

Manny Deol, Chief Administrative Officer