

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY CENTRE, LAC LA BICHE**

May 6, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held May 6, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m.

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| PRESENT | Omer Moghrabi | Mayor |
| | David Phillips | Councillor |
| | MJ Siebold | Councillor |
| | Tim Thompson | Councillor |
| | Hajar (Jerry) Haymour | Councillor |
| | John Nowak | Councillor / Deputy Mayor |
| STAFF IN ATTENDANCE | Shadia Amblie | Chief Administrative Officer |
| | Melanie McConnell | Assistant Chief Administrative Officer |
| | Dan Small | Senior Manager, Finance & Grants |
| | Joanne Onciul | Legislative Services Coordinator |
| REGRETS | Wanda Austin | Councillor |
| | Robert Richard | Councillor |
| | Richard Olson | Councillor |

Pursuant to section 194(4) of the *Municipal Government Act*, two-thirds of the whole Council signed a waiver waiving the notice requirement to call a Special Council Meeting with less than 24 hours' notice.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

16.477 Motion by Councillor Nowak to approve the May 6, 2016 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Discussion – Bold Center – Reception Centre.

Mr. John Kokotilo, Manager of Protective Services (Fire/Enhancement), provided an update to Council on the Bold Center Reception Centre set up

for the Fort McMurray evacuees. The following key points were discussed:

- 4,500 evacuees have registered at the Bold Center;
- Between 2,200 – 2,500 are seeking accommodations overnight;
- 250 evacuees are currently staying on cots at the Bold Center with additional cots set up in Boyle, Grassland, Buffalo Lake, Beaver Lake, and Kikino;
- An additional 300 cots have been requested;
- There is a large amount of supplies and they are being rerouted to centers as requested;
- 20,000 vehicles are expected, not sure how many will show up in Lac La Biche;
- An Emergency Operations Center has been set up in Fort McMurray;
- The Director of Emergency Services advised that 8,000 evacuees were flown to Edmonton;
- The Lac La Biche Reception Centre is getting a positive response from evacuees.

Discussion ensued regarding the Fort McMurray fire and evacuation proceedings.

IN CAMERA SESSION

16.478 Motion by Councillor Thompson to go in camera at 4:28 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.1 Discussion – Bold Center – Reception Centre.

Councillor Siebold left Council Chambers at 4:32 p.m.

Councillor Siebold returned to Council Chambers at 4:35 p.m.

Councillor Haymour left Council Chambers at 4:36 p.m.

Councillor Haymour returned to Council Chambers at 4:36 p.m.

Mayor Moghrabi left Council Chambers at 4:44 p.m. Deputy Mayor Nowak assumed the Chair.

Mayor Moghrabi returned to Council Chambers at 4:47 p.m. and resumed the Chair.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

16.479 Motion by Councillor Nowak to return to regular meeting at 4:47 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Discussion – Bold Center – Reception Centre.

Discussion ensued regarding the request from Black Diamond to set up a camp to provide food and shelter for 15 evacuated families. Black Diamond is looking for the Province to approve funding of the camp, and once approved, will be looking for support from Lac La Biche County.

16.480 Motion by Councillor Nowak to wait for provincial approval and information on funding for temporary accommodations and bring forward the same to Council at the May 10, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.

IN FAVOUR

**Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Nowak**

OPPOSED

Councillor Haymour

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

16.481 Motion by Councillor Siebold to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of May 6, 2016 at 5:16 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Shadia Amblie
Chief Administrative Officer**