

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

January 30, 2017 – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held January 30, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

PRESENT	Omer Moghrabi	Mayor
	Robert Richard	Councillor and Deputy Mayor
	Wanda Austin	Councillor
	Richard Olson	Councillor
	David Phillips	Councillor
	MJ Siebold	Councillor
	John Nowak	Councillor (after lunch only)

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Shadia Amblie	Chief Administrative Officer
	Surekha Kanzig	Assistant Chief Administrative Officer
	Darrell Lessmeister	Senior Manager, Recreation & Community Enhancement (in part)
	Dan Small	Senior Manager, Finance & Grants
	Alex Fuller	Communications Coordinator
	James Roy	Legislative Services Coordinator

REGRETS	Tim Thompson	Councillor
	Hajar (Jerry) Haymour	Councillor

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

17.104 Motion by Councillor Richard to approve the January 30, 2017 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Summary of 2017 Operational and Capital Budget Requests from Community Groups

Mr. Dan Small, Senior Manager, Finance & Grants, gave a presentation to Council and answered questions on the delegations for today's meeting. He

outlined the schedule for the delegations for the meeting and briefed Council on questions of procedure relating to the budget consultation process.

DELEGATIONS

4.1 Lakeland Interpretive Society – Museum Build

Unable to attend. Delegation postponed until Thursday morning.

4.2 Lakeland Interpretive Society – Visitor Information Centre

Unable to attend. Delegation postponed until Thursday morning.

Mr. Gary Harman, Manager of Parks and Facilities, gave a presentation and responded to questions from Council concerning funding grants for the Lakeland Interpretive Society Museum to enable the museum to relocate to Jubilee Hall, together with performing general renovation and upgrades to the Hall.

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 10:38 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 10:44 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

DELEGATIONS

4.3 Lac La Biche Mission Historical Society

Ms. Jennifer Mueller and Ms. Donna Fabro of the Lac La Biche Historical Society gave a presentation and answered questions relating to their request for funding.

The Lac La Biche Historical Society is seeking \$40,000 from the County to cover operational funding and \$11,310 to cover special events funding.

4.4 Plamondon and District Community Development Society (PDCDS)

Mr. Dennis Michaud of the Plamondon and District Community Development Society (PDCDS) gave a presentation to Council and answered questions regarding the funding request of the PDCDS.

PDCDS has three capital funding requests:

1. \$35,000 to complete the ball diamond construction;
2. \$120,000 for renovations to the Plamondon Curling Rink, specifically, the cement floor under the ice;
3. \$26,475.75 towards upgrades and renovations to the Plamondon Senior Rendez-Vous Centre.

PDCDS requested an operational grant of \$473,365 – an increase of 4.7% from last year’s request.

RECESS Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 11:36 a.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:43 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

DELEGATIONS

4.5 Lac La Biche Canadian Native Friendship Centre Association

Ms. Donna Webster of the Lac La Biche Canadian Native Friendship Centre Association gave a presentation to Council and answered questions relating to the Friendship Centre Association’s funding request of \$57,184 for 2017. The increased funding request (\$15,000 compared to 2016) is due to a wage increase for the Family Support Programs Coordinator and the hiring of a Family Support Program Assistant, as well as increased use of the foodbank’s services.

4.6 Lakeland Archers

Mr. Rene Schaub of Lakeland Archers made a presentation and answered questions surrounding his funding request for 2017, mainly to offset costs associated with the construction of a new building for the upcoming world championship and landscaping the surrounding grounds.

4.7 Craigend Recreation and Agricultural Society

Ms. Molly Fyten and Ms. Stacey Mouille-Malbeuf, board members of the Craigend Recreation and Agricultural Society, made a presentation to Council and answered questions regarding their \$30,000 funding request to complete the playground project.

Ms. Gwen Beniuk and Ms. Fran Beniuk of the Craigend Recreation and Agricultural Society made a presentation to Council and answered questions regarding her funding request of \$18,700 for upgrades to the senior’s hall, including roof maintenance and furnace maintenance.

4.8 Lakeland Out of the Elements Men’s Shelter

Ms. Bernice Mechor, Treasurer, Lakeland Out of the Elements Men’s Shelter made a presentation and answered questions regarding her 2017 funding request of \$50,000 towards operating costs and a further request to work with Council to look to purchase or lease land for the purposes of building transitory housing.

Mayor Moghrabi left Council Chambers at 12:36 p.m. with Deputy Mayor Richard assuming the Chair.

RECESS Deputy Mayor Richard called a recess at 12:53 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:05 p.m. with all those members of Council previously listed in attendance.

DELEGATIONS

4.9 Community Learning for Adult Students Society (CLASS)/Program for Adult Learning (PAL)

Mr. Chris Boudreault and Ms. Virginia Hodgins, board members from the Community Learning for Adult Students Society (CLASS) and Program for Adult Learning (PAL), gave a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding its funding request of \$25,000 for 2017 in order to offset costs for instructor fees, learning materials, and volunteer training.

4.10 Lac La Biche County Library Board

Ms. Lorraine Anderton, Library Board Chair, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding its funding request of \$39,000 for 2017 to fund an entry line position (pay & benefits) and earned increments for existing staff in order to maintain the current level of service.

4.11 Hylo/Venice Recreation and Agricultural Society

Ms. Sylvia Broadbent, President for Hylo/Venice Recreation and Agricultural Society, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the funding request of \$46,299 for 2017.

4.12 Owl River Recreation Association

Ms. Marlene Shukaliak, representative for the Owl River Recreation Association, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the 2017 funding request of \$19,500 for operational expenses and \$76,000 toward capital expenditures for flooring and painting renovations in the Main Hall.

RECESS Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 2:56 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 3:10 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

DELEGATIONS/IN CAMERA SESSION

Mayor Moghrabi declared a pecuniary interest due to his wife’s role at Portage College and left Council Chambers at 3:12 p.m. with Deputy Mayor Richard assuming the Chair.

17.105 Motion by Councillor Austin to go *in camera* at 3:12 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.13 Portage College (s. 25 FOIP)

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

17.106 Motion by Councillor Siebold to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 3:44 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Moghrabi returned to Council Chambers at 3:45 p.m. and assumed the Chair after the discussion regarding the Portage College was concluded.

IN CAMERA SESSION

17.107 Motion by Councillor Phillips to go in camera at 3:49 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Nowak left Council Chambers at 4:03 p.m. and did not return to the meeting.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

17.108 Motion by Councillor Austin to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 4:06 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF “IN CAMERA SESSION”

4.13 Portage College (s. 25 FOIP)

17.109 Motion by Councillor Austin to direct Administration to continue to liaise with community groups on their funding requests for the 2017 budget, and provide Council with updates at a future Special Council Meeting – Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

17.110 Motion by Councillor Siebold to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of January 30, 2017 at 4:17 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Shadia Amblie
Chief Administrative Officer**

ADOPTED