

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

February 23, 2017 – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held February 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

PRESENT	Omer Moghrabi	Mayor
	Wanda Austin	Councillor
	Richard Olson	Councillor
	David Phillips	Councillor
	MJ Siebold	Councillor
	Tim Thompson	Councillor
	John Nowak	Councillor

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Shadia Amblie	Chief Administrative Officer
	Dan Small	Interim Assistant Chief Administrative Officer and Senior Manager, Finance & Grants
	Darrell Lessmeister	Senior Manager, Recreation & Community Enhancement (in part)
	Brian Shapka	Senior Manager, Public Works (in part)
	Gordon Shaw	Senior Manager, Planning & Development (in part)
	Alex Fuller	Communications Coordinator
	James Roy	Legislative Services Coordinator

REGRETS	Robert Richard	Councillor and Deputy Mayor
	Hajar (Jerry) Haymour	Councillor

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 17.181 Motion by Councillor Austin to approve the February 23, 2017 Special Council Meeting agenda as amended:
- Addition of Item 3.1.6 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Attendance

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Proposed 2017 County Budget

3.1.1 Discretionary Budget

Ms. Shadia Amblie, Chief Administrative Officer, briefed Council on discretionary spending projects and responded to questions from Council.

Mr. Travis Simmons, Manager, Information Technology made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the budget request for internet security software.

Mr. Les Coté, Manager, Equipment Maintenance, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the budget request for equipment upgrades and services.

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 10:53 a.m. and returned at 10:54 a.m.

Mr. John Kokotilo, Manager, Protective Services, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the budget request for Alberta First Responder Radio Project (AFRRCS) portable radios and sea-can containers.

Mr. Brian Shapka, Senior Manager, Public Works, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the budget request for the ditching and draining machine rental program and making sub grade repairs to Balaban Road.

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 11:29 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:40 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance except Councillor Thompson.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1.1 Discretionary Budget (continued)

Mr. Kyle Beniuk, Agriculture & Environmental Operations Coordinator, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the discretionary budget request for curbside waste and recycling containers; Freon extraction equipment; Toter software licensing; Sea-Can Container for Rich Lake; environmental assessments and field reports for Lac La Biche Lake.

3.1.1 Discretionary Budget (continued)

Mr. Jon Skjersven, Acting Manager of Utilities, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the budget request to continue the Green Rebate Program, to purchase a concrete saw, and a 3-inch water pump.

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:28 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:42 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, including Councillor Thompson.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1.1 Discretionary Budget (continued)

Mr. Gary Harman, Manager, Parks and Facilities, made a presentation to Council and responded to questions regarding the discretionary budget request to make minor repairs and purchase appliances for County Centre, McArthur Place, the Plamondon Arena, the Bold Centre, the Centennial Building, and to replace the roof of the Jubilee Hall.

Councillor Nowak left Council Chambers at 1:56 p.m. and returned at 1:57 p.m.

Councillor Thompson left Council Chambers at 2:38 p.m. and returned at 2:39 p.m.

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 2:52 p.m. and returned at 2:57 p.m.

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 3:06 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 3:18 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

3.1.1 Discretionary Budget (continued)

Mr. Gordon Shaw, Senior Manager, Planning and Development, made a presentation to Council regarding the discretionary budget request for funding for a Storm Water Management Plan and to establish a reserve for Municipal Development Plan funds, and responded to questions from Council.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1.1 Discretionary Budget (continued)

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Senior Manager, Recreation and Community Enhancement, made a presentation to Council regarding the discretionary budget request for the Recreation Master Plan and responded to questions by Council.

Ms. Staci Lattimer, Manager of Recreation, made a presentation to Council regarding the discretionary budget request for funding Canada Day activities in McArthur Park before the fireworks in the evening, and answered questions.

Councillor Austin left Council Chambers at 3:56 p.m. and did not return to the meeting.

Councillor Nowak declared a pecuniary interest due to his personal business interests and left Council Chambers at 4:03 p.m.

Ms. Lattimer made a presentation on the discretionary budget request for funding supplemental recreation programs and modifications to the Bold Centre fitness equipment.

Councillor Nowak returned to Council Chambers at 4:09 p.m. once discussion regarding the request for funding to modify Bold Center fitness equipment was concluded.

DEFERALL OF AGENDA ITEMS

17.182 Motion by Councillor Olson to defer agenda items 3.1.2 to 3.1.5 from this meeting to the Special Council (Budget) Meeting of February 24, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1.6 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Attendance

Discussion ensued regarding attendance at the next Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference.

IN CAMERA SESSION

17.183 Motion by Councillor Phillips to go in camera at 4:28 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.1 Personnel Matters (s. 17 FOIP) (Discussion).

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF IN CAMERA SESSION

4.1 Personnel Matters (s. 17 FOIP) (Discussion).

No action required.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

17.184 Motion by Councillor Nowak to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 4:30 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEFERALL OF AGENDA ITEMS

17.185 Motion by Councillor Thompson to defer all remaining agenda items, including those *in camera*, to the Special Council (Budget) Meeting of February 24, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

17.186 Motion by Councillor Phillips to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of February 23, 2017 at 4:32 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Shadia Amblie
Chief Administrative Officer**