

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

May 25, 2021 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held May 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

In accordance with the Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation, Lac La Biche County Council held this meeting electronically.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

PRESENT	Omer Moghrabi	Mayor
	Darlene Beniuk	Councillor/Deputy Mayor
	Sterling Johnson	Councillor
	Colette Borgun	Councillor
	Jason Stedman	Councillor (<i>Participated electronically</i>)
	Charlyn Moore	Councillor (<i>Participated electronically</i>)
	Colin Cote	Councillor
	Lorin Tkachuk	Councillor (<i>Participated electronically</i>)
	George L'Heureux	Councillor

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE	Ken Van Buul	Chief Administrative Officer
	Melanie McConnell	Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division
	Dan Small	Associate CAO, Finance and Planning Division (<i>In part and participated in person and electronically</i>)
	Darrell Lessmeister	Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division (<i>Participated electronically</i>)
	Brian Shapka	Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services Division (<i>Participated electronically</i>)
	Mackenzie Girard	CAO Executive Assistant (<i>Participated electronically</i>)
	Danielle Patenaude	Legislative Services Coordinator

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 21.395 MOVED
To adopt the May 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 3.2 Regular Council Meeting-May 11, 2021
- 21.396 MOVED
To adopt the May 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting minutes as amended:
- Correct the spelling of Councillor L'Heureux on pages 5 and 6 of the May 25, 2021 Agenda Package.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION

- 6.1 10:05 a.m.-Delegation-Municipal Planning Services- Ms. Allison Rosland and Ms. Jane Dauphinee-Draft Lac La Biche Watershed Management Plan

Ms. Jane Dauphinee, Principal and Senior Planner and Ms. Allison Rosland, Planner, Municipal Planning Services electronically co-presented the draft Lac La Biche Watershed Management Plan and responded to questions.

Ms. Molly Fyten, Manager, Environmental Services and Ms. Randi Dupras, Environmental Services Coordinator were also electronically available to respond to questions.

- 6.1.1 Disposition of Delegation Business

- 21.397 MOVED
To thank Ms. Rosland and Ms. Dauphinee for the presentation to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21.398 MOVED
That Council adopts the Lac La Biche Watershed Management Plan.

In Favour (7): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor L'Heureux, and Councillor Tkachuk

Opposed (1): Councillor Johnson

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Councillor Reports

Councillor Tkachuk left the meeting, due to technical issues

Councillor Moore indicated that none of her committees have convened since the last meeting, and has nothing to report but shared that she had talked with residents in regards to the draft Environmental Reserve Bylaw.

Councillor Cote:

- Lac La Biche and District Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- Healthy Waters Meeting
- Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association Conference
- Premier Kenney Town Hall-COVID-19 Update
- Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association Conference
- Municipal Tools for Affordable Housing
- Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association Conference
- Rural Municipalities Association District 5 Engagement
- Lakeland Interpretive Society Museum
- Beaver River Integrated Watershed Management Plan Meeting

Deputy Mayor Beniuk:

- Elected Official Education Program -Session 2 and 3
- Alberta Counsel-Five ways to increase community engagement
- Premier Kenney Town Hall-COVID-19 Update
- Alberta Seniors and Housing Association workshop
- Municipal Tools for Affordable Housing
- Rural Municipalities Association District 5 Engagement

Councillor L'Heureux indicated that other councillors have covered meetings and events that he also participated in.

Councillor Borgun indicated that in addition to other meetings and events mentioned by Councillor Cote and Deputy Mayor Beniuk, she also attended the following:

- Two Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association Meetings (ABMA)
- Meeting with Administration-Economic Development and Tourism Division

Councillor Johnson:

- Premier Kenney Town Hall-COVID-19 Update

Mayor Moghrabi indicated that other councillors have covered meetings and events that he also participated in, in addition to the following:

- Family and Community Support Services Meeting

21.399 **MOVED**
To accept the Councillor Reports agenda item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 10:57 a.m.

Councillor Tkachuk rejoined the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Councillor Stedman joined the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:04 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, including Councillor Tkachuk and Councillor Stedman.

PUBLIC HEARING

6.2 11:00 a.m.-Public Hearing-Bylaw 21-014-Encroachment on Environmental Reserve Lands-Portion of Lot R1, Block 1, Plan 7720980

Mayor Moghrabi declared the Public Hearing open at 11:04 a.m.

Mayor Moghrabi asked Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division, whether the public hearing was advertised, and notice was provided in accordance with the applicable legislation. Ms. McConnell advised that this was the case.

Ms. Diane Cloutier, Manager, Planning and Development summarized the purpose for the hearing.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if there were any written submissions or registered speakers in support of the proposed bylaw; there were none.

Mayor Moghrabi asked if there were any written submissions or registered speakers in opposition of the proposed bylaw; there were none.

Mayor Moghrabi thanked the presenters for their comments and declared the Public Hearing closed at 11:07 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

7.2 Council Correspondence-May 2021

Ms. Mackenzie Girard, CAO Executive Assistant presented the Correspondence-May 2021 item and responded to questions.

Councillor Moore left the meeting at 11:10 am. due to technical issues.

21.400 **MOVED**
That Council accept the letter from Ms. Linda Kappel as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Moore returned to the meeting at 11:11 a.m. and indicated that she supported Motion 21.400.

7.3 Bylaw 21-014-Encroachment Agreement on Environmental Reserve Lands-Second and Third Reading

Ms. Cloutier electronically presented the Bylaw 21-014-Encroachment Agreement on Environmental Reserve Lands-Second and Third Reading item and responded to questions.

21.401 **MOVED**
That Bylaw 21-014 be given second reading this 25th day of May 2021.

In Favour (8): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor L'Heureux, Councillor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (1): Councillor Cote

CARRIED

21.402 MOVED
That Bylaw 21-014 be given third reading this 25th day of
May 2021.

In Favour (8): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun,
Councillor Moore, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor
L'Heureux, Councillor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and
Councillor Johnson

Opposed (1): Councillor Cote

CARRIED

7.4 Bylaw 21-012-Road Closure Bylaw-First Reading

Ms. Cloutier electronically presented the Bylaw 21-012-Road Closure
Bylaw-First Reading item and responded to questions.

21.403 MOVED
That Bylaw 21-012 be given first reading this 25th day of
May 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.5 License of Occupation Agreement-Range Road 132A

Ms. Cloutier electronically presented the License of Occupation
Agreement-Range Road 132A item and responded to questions.

21.404 MOVED
That Administration enter into a License of Occupation
Agreement for the use of Range Road 132A.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.6 Environmental Reserve Bylaw – Further Options for Consideration

Ms. Cloutier electronically presented the Environmental Reserve Bylaw –
Further Options for Consideration item and responded to questions.

21.405 MOVED
That Administration explore options of environmental
reserves categories for inclusion in a future environmental
reserve bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.7 Clubroot Management Agreement Update

Ms. Fyten and Mr. Jacob Marfo, Agricultural Fieldman electronically co-
presented the Clubroot Management Agreement Update item and
responded to questions.

21.406 MOVED
That Council accepts the Clubroot Management Agreement update for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.8 Sump Truck Dump Station-Plamondon (Discussion)

Councillor Borgun presented the Sump Truck Dump Station-Plamondon discussion item and responded to questions.

21.407 MOVED
To direct Administration to bring forward options relating to a receiving station in the hamlet of Plamondon, inclusive of financial costing, to a future Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:11 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 12:20 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION

6.3 12:15 p.m.-Public Input Session

Individuals were asked to pre-register for the Public Input Session at legservices@laclabichecounty.com to be provided with the pertinent ZOOM information for electronic participation.

There were two registered speakers for the Public Input Session.

Mayor Moghrabi opened the Public Input Session at 12:21 p.m.

6.3.1 Ms. Linda Kappel

Ms. Kappel, on behalf of several very concerned residents, presented to Council, concerns about the federal and provincial government's failed response to the COVID-19 health pandemic; in particular, the provincial restrictions, vaccinations, validity of polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests, mental health, and lastly, infringements of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

6.3.2 Mr. Chris Schaefer

Mr. Schaefer presented to Council, about the reality of masks versus respirators.

Mayor Moghrabi closed the Public Input Session at 12:39 p.m.

21.408 MOVED
To thank Ms. Kappel and Mr. Schaefer for the presentation to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:39 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:41 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, except Councillor Moore and Councillor Stedman.

NEW BUSINESS

7.9 Bridge File 74197 Tender, TR-32-2021-10

Mr. Brian Shapka, Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services Division electronically presented the Bridge File 74197 Tender, TR-32-2021-10 item and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Beniuk exited Council Chambers at 1:48 p.m. and returned at the same time.

Councillor Moore joined the meeting at 1:53 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

21.409 MOVED
To go into Closed Session at 1:54 p.m. for the following item and pertinent exceptions to the disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act*:

- 7.9 Bridge File 74197 Tender, TR-32-2021-10 (s.27-Privileged Information-FOIP and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The following Members of Administration were present during the Closed Session for recording and presentation purposes: Ken Van Buul, Dan Small, Brian Shapka (electronically), Darrell Lessmeister (electronically), Melanie McConnell, Tom Koep (electronically), Diane Cloutier (electronically), Mackenzie Girard (electronically) and Danielle Patenaude.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

21.410 MOVED
To proceed with the meeting Open Session at 2:26 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

7.9 Bridge File 74197 Tender, TR-32-2021-10

21.411 MOVED

That Council approves the contract award of the Bridge File 74197 Tender, TR-32-2021-10 to Transcendent Mining and Mobilization Inc. for \$278,742.50.

In Favour (5): Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (3): Mayor Moghrabi, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, and Councillor L'Heureux

CARRIED

7.10 101 Avenue Surface and Utility Revitalization, Tender-32-2021-11

Mr. Shapka electronically presented the 101 Avenue Surface and Utility Revitalization, Tender-32-2021-11 item and responded to questions.

21.412 MOVED

That Council approves the contract award of the 101 Avenue Surface and Utility Revitalization – 103 Street to 105 Street, TR-32-2021-11 to 1998372 Alberta Ltd. o/a Elite Site Services for \$1,992,521.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 2:39 p.m.

Councillor Stedman joined the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:52 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, including Councillor Stedman.

NEW BUSINESS

7.11 Councillor Expense Claims-April 2021

Mr. Dan Small, Associate CAO, Finance and Planning Division presented the Councillor Expense Claims-April 2021 item and responded to questions.

21.413 MOVED
That councillor expense claims processed for the month of April 2021 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.12 Statement of Revenues and Expenditures-April 30, 2021

Mr. Small presented the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures-April 30, 2021 item and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Beniuk exited Council Chambers at 2:58 pm. and returned at 2:59 p.m.

21.414 MOVED
To accept the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - April 30, 2021 as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.13 Agricultural Sector Nomination-Athabasca Watershed Council

Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division presented the Agricultural Sector Nomination-Athabasca Watershed Council item and responded to questions.

21.415 MOVED
To accept the Agricultural Sector Nomination-Athabasca Watershed Council report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.14 Bylaw 21-017-Amendments to Election Bylaw-First Reading

Ms. McConnell presented the Bylaw 21-017-Amendments to Election Bylaw-First Reading item and responded to questions.

21.416 MOVED
That Bylaw 21-017 be given first reading this 25th day of May 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21.417 MOVED
That Bylaw 21-017 be given second reading this 25th Day of May 2021.

In Favour (8): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (1): Councillor L'Heureux

CARRIED

21.418 MOVED
That Bylaw 21-017 be submitted for third and final reading this 25th Day of May 2021.

In Favour (8): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (1): Councillor L'Heureux

DEFEATED

**Unanimous consent is required before proceeding with third and final reading*

7.15 Fire Services Work Plan

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division and Mr. John H. Kokotilo, Manager, Protective Services electronically co-presented the Fire Services Work Plan item and responded to questions.

21.419 MOVED
That County Council accept the presented work plan from the Fire Rescue Services Review Final Report that was accepted by County Council in May 2019.

In Favour (8): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor L'Heureux, Councillor Stedman, and Councillor Tkachuk

Opposed (1): Councillor Johnson

CARRIED

7.16 Ice Removal-Bold Center (Discussion)

Mr. Lessmeister presented the Ice Removal-Bold Center discussion item and responded to questions.

21.420 MOVED
To accept the Ice Removal - Bold Center Discussion item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21.421 MOVED
To direct Administration to bring forward costs of relating to Bold Center Ice removal and re-installation, and to bring forward this information to the June 1, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXTENSION OF MEETING

21.422 MOVED
To extend the May 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting until all items on the agenda are addressed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED SESSION

21.423 MOVED
To go into Closed Session at 3:39 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 Short Term Lease Property - Homelessness (s.24-Advice from officials and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP), and
- 8.2 Personnel Matter (s.17 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The following Members of Administration were present during the Closed Session for recording and presentation purposes: Ken Van Buul, Dan Small, Darrell Lessmeister (electronically), Melanie McConnell, Tom Koep (electronically), Diane Cloutier (electronically), Mackenzie Girard (electronically) and Danielle Patenaude.

8.1 Short Term Lease Property - Homelessness (s.24-Advice from officials and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP)

8.2 Personnel Matter (s.17 Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP)

All Members of Administration exited Council Chambers at 5:00 p.m. prior to the discussion of Item 8.2. Members of Administration who were participating electronically were moved into a ZOOM Waiting Room.

Members of Administration returned to Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

21.424 MOVED
 To proceed with the meeting in Open Session at 6:32 p.m.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

8.1 Short Term Lease Property - Homelessness (s.24 FOIP and s.25 FOIP)

21.425 MOVED
 That Lac La Biche County Council direct Administration to bring back a property lease, at the Bonesville subdivision, with Metis Nation of Alberta (MNA) for up to a one year term.

In Favour (7): Councillor Borgun, Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, Councillor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (2): Mayor Moghrabi, and Councillor L'Heureux

CARRIED

8.2 Personnel Matter (s.17 FOIP)

21.426 MOVED
 To proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

21.427 MOVED
 To adjourn the May 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting at 6:35 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Ken Van Buul
Chief Administrative Officer**

ADOPTED