

LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: January 7, 2015
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers
County Centre Office

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
3. NEW BUSINESS
 - 3.1 RFD - 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget.
4. ADJOURNMENT

ADOPTED

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

January 7, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held on January 7, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

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| PRESENT | Omer Moghrabi | Mayor |
| | Wanda Austin | Councillor |
| | Robert Richard | Councillor |
| | Richard Olson | Councillor |
| | David Phillips | Councillor |
| | MJ Siebold | Councillor |
| | Tim Thompson | Councillor |
| | John Nowak | Councillor / Deputy Mayor (entered at 10:18 a.m.) |

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| STAFF IN ATTENDANCE | Shadia Amblie | Interim Chief Administrative Officer/ Manager, Communications |
| | Melanie McConnell | Interim Assistant Chief Administrative Officer/Manager, Legislative Services |
| | Karen Gingras | Interim Senior Manager, Planning & Economic Development |
| | Brian Shapka | Interim Senior Manager, Public Works |
| | Dan Small | Senior Manager, Finance & Community Services |
| | Maurice Gushta | Manager, Finance |

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| REGRETS | Hajar (Jerry) Haymour | Councillor |
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ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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| 15.001 | Motion by Councillor Austin to approve the January 7, 2015 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented. |
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 RFD – 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget.

Dan Small, Senior Manager, Finance and Community Services provided Council with an overview of the budget process to date.

Councillor Nowak entered Council Chambers at 10:18 a.m.

Mr. Small provided an overview of the forecasted accumulated surplus as of December 31, 2014.

Discussion ensued regarding the operational and capital budgets.

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 10:29 a.m.

Councillor Olson returned to Council Chambers at 10:30 a.m.

Discussion ensued regarding “List 1: Capital Budget Requests for Consideration”, as outlined below.

Sidewalk Replacement Program – Lac La Biche and Plamondon

- 15.002 Motion by Councillor Nowak to approve \$900,000.00 for the Sidewalk Replacement Program – Lac La Biche and Plamondon as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion ensued regarding the following utilities projects: Plamondon 101 Ave Extension and RV Disposal Site and Lac La Biche 101 Ave from 99 St to 100 St.

Councillor Phillips left Council Chambers at 11:20 a.m.

Discussion ensued regarding Lac La Biche 104 St from 101 Ave to 101B Ave Water and Sewer Replacement.

Councillor Phillips returned to Council Chambers at 11:22 a.m.

Mayor Moghrabi recused himself during the deliberations on Lac La Biche back lane storm sewer project from 100 St to 103 St due to his personal business interests and left Council Chambers at 11:29 a.m. Deputy Mayor Nowak assumed the Chair.

3.1 RFD – 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget (cont'd);

15.003 Motion by Councillor Richard to approve \$2,898,153.00 for the Lac La Biche Back Lane Storm Sewer from 100 St to 103 St as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Nowak called a recess at 11:32 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:46 a.m., with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance. Mayor Moghrabi resumed the Chair.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 RFD – 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget (cont'd).

15.004 Motion by Councillor Siebold to defer deliberations on Lac La Biche utility project 101 Ave from 99 St to 100 St for consideration as part of "List 2".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15.005 Motion by Councillor Olson to approve \$725,000.00 for the Plamondon 101 Ave Extension and RV Disposal Site as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15.006 Motion by Councillor Olson to approve \$1,222,000.00 for the Lac La Biche 104 St from 101 Ave to 101B Ave Water and Sewer Replacement as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Phillips left Council Chambers at 11:56 a.m.

Discussion ensued regarding Replacement Equipment.

15.007 Motion by Councillor Richard to defer deliberations on replacement of Unit 316 and new purchase of a 10-12 foot mower for consideration as part of "List 2".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.1 RFD – 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget (cont'd).

15.008 Motion by Councillor Richard to approve \$30,000.00 as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget for the replacement of Unit 322 (2008 10 foot mower).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion ensued regarding New Equipment.

15.009 Motion by Councillor Richard to approve \$285,000.00 as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget for the purchase of a new street sweeper.

In Favour
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Nowak

Opposed
Councillor Thompson

CARRIED

15.010 Motion by Councillor Olson to approve \$260,000.00 as part of the 2015 preliminary capital budget for the purchase of 4 new clam dump trailers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:45 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:07 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, except Councillor Nowak.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 RFD – 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget (cont'd).

Mr. Small provided an overview of the process respecting implementation of local improvement taxes.

Discussion ensued regarding the “List 2 – Capital Budget Requests for Consideration in 2015 Preliminary Budget Process”.

Discussion ensued regarding the following projects, which are not included in “List 2”:

- Lac La Biche 100 Ave road upgrades (from 105 St to 103 St); and
- 91 Ave roadway upgrades (from the Bold Center access to HWY 881).

Discussion ensued regarding paving internal subdivision roads.

Deputy Mayor Nowak returned to Council Chambers at 2:26 p.m.

15.011 Motion by Councillor Siebold that Administration brings forward a draft policy regarding local improvements for internal subdivision roadways, and further that the policy be brought forward to the February POP Committee Meeting.

In Favour

**Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson**

Opposed

Councillor Nowak

CARRIED

Councillor Nowak left Council Chambers at 2:54 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- development of a roadway between HWY 881 (by County Centre Office) to 91 Ave and the access points to the public works yard; and
- septage receivers at the BNR Plant.

Councillor Nowak returned to Council Chambers at 3:14 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- bridge files;
- airport improvements;
- project eligibility for provincial and federal funding; and
- trail system.

Councillor Thompson left Council Chambers at 3:33 p.m.

Councillor Thompson returned to Council Chambers at 3:34 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding funding a trail development program.

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 3:37 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding fire flow capacity in the subdivisions west of the Hamlet of Lac La Biche.

Councillor Olson returned to Council Chambers at 3:40 p.m.

Discussion ensued regarding the water treatment plant generator sets and the option to purchase portable generators.

IN CAMERA SESSION

15.012 Motion by Councillor Thompson to go in camera at 3:56 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.1 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget (Section 25 FOIP).

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

15.013 Motion by Councillor Austin to proceed with the meeting out of camera at 4:02 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF "IN CAMERA SESSION"

3.1 No action required.

Discussion ensued regarding future budget meeting dates.

ADJOURNMENT

15.014 Motion by Councillor Siebold to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of January 7, 2015 at 4:18 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Shadia Amblie
Interim Chief Administrative Officer**