

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

**May 11, 2021 10:00 a.m.**

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held May 11, 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 10:07 a.m.

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

<b>STAFF IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Ken Van Buul	Chief Administrative Officer
	Melanie McConnell	Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division
	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

21.376                    MOVED  
To adopt the May 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting  
Agenda as amended:

Additions:

- Item 8.3-Road Construction NE-32-68-13-W4  
(s.24-Advice from officials and s.17-Disclosure  
harmful to personal privacy-FOIP)
- Item 7.6- Athabasca Watershed Nomination  
(Internal and Agricultural Sector)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Council subsequently passed Motion # 21.386 which added Item 8.4-  
Personnel Matter (s.17-Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP) to  
the May 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Agenda.*

## INTRODUCTION

Mr. Ken Van Buul, Chief Administrative Officer, introduced to Council Mr. Tom  
Koep, Director, Economic Investment & Retention.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.2        Regular Council Meeting-May 4, 2021

21.377                    MOVED  
To approve the May 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting  
Minutes as circulated.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## NEW BUSINESS

7.1        Councillor Reports

Councillor Moore indicated that she didn't participate in any other events  
over and above what other Councillor's participated in and that none of  
her committees have convened since the last meeting, but shared the  
following:

- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Public Risk  
Conference

Councillor Cote:

- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Public Risk  
Conference sessions
- Integrated Watershed Management Plan Session-Lakeland  
Industry Community Association (LICA)

- Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association (ACCPA) Virtual Conference-May 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> sessions.

Councillor Tkachuk:

- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Public Risk Conference
- 2021 State of the City Address-Edmonton Mayor Don Iveson
- Integrated Watershed Management Plan Session-Lakeland Industry Community Association (LICA)
- Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association (ACCPA) Virtual Conference-May 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> sessions.

Councillor Johnson:

- Athabasca Watershed Council Meeting

Councillor Borgun:

- Agricultural Services Board (ASB) Meeting
- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Risk Management Session
- Family and Community Support Services Board Meeting
- Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta

Councillor Stedman:

- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Public Risk Conference

Councillor L'Heureux indicated that other Councillor's have already mentioned some of the same meetings, and he also shared the following:

- Appointed to the Provincial Livestock Working Group

Deputy Mayor Beniuk:

- Elected Officials Education Program (EOEP) Regional Partnerships and Collaboration
- Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Public Risk Conference
- 2021 State of the City Address-Edmonton Mayor Don Iveson

Mayor Moghrabi:

- Greater North Foundation
- SCADA Project Q & A (Fed Gas)

21.378

MOVED

To accept the Councillor Reports item as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.2 Fire Readiness Update (Handout)

Mr. John H. Kokotilo, Manager, Protective Services electronically presented the Fire Readiness Update, and responded to questions.

21.379 MOVED  
To accept the Fire Readiness Update as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Deputy Mayor Beniuk exited Council Chambers at 11:11 a.m. and returned at 11:12 a.m.

21.380 MOVED  
To thank the Lac La Biche County Firefighters and Mutual Aid Partners for their contributions during the LCU002-Hylo & Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement fire.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

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

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:24 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

7.3 Senate and Referenda Votes Update

Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division presented the Senate and Referenda Votes Update item and responded to questions.

21.381 MOVED  
To accept the update regarding the Senate and referenda votes report as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.4 Condition of Main Street-Hamlet of Lac La Biche (Discussion)

Mayor Moghrabi added this item to the agenda to discuss the condition of Main Street in the Hamlet of Lac La Biche.

21.382 MOVED  
To allocate \$40,000, from accumulated surplus, to undertake interim road surface repairs to remedy the potholes located on Main Street within the Hamlet of Lac La Biche, and with the repairs to be completed prior to the 2021 May long weekend.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

7.5 Athabasca Watershed Nomination-*Addition to the Agenda*

Councillor Johnson added this item to the agenda to discuss membership renewal prior to the upcoming Annual General Meeting and nominating an individual to represent the Agriculture Sector on the Athabasca Watershed Council.

Councillor Johnson suggested that Councillor L'Heureux be considered for the nomination.

Councillor Stedman exited Council Chambers at 11:52 a.m. and returned at 11:53 a.m.

21.383            MOVED  
                    To renew membership for the Athabasca Watershed Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Councillor L'Heureux accepted the nomination

21.384            MOVED  
                    To nominate Councillor L'Heureux to the Athabasca Watershed Council to represent the Agriculture Sector.

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**

**RECESS**            Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:15 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**

6.1            12:15 p.m.-Public Input Session

Individuals were asked to pre-register for the Public Input Session at [legservices@laclabichcounty.com](mailto:legservices@laclabichcounty.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 12:20 p.m.

6.1.1 Registered Speakers- Ms. Stacey St. Jean and Mr. Ali Fyith

Ms. St. Jean and Mr. Fyith, on behalf of the Lac La Biche Minor Ball Association presented the re-consideration of the removal of the Main Baseball Diamond at McArthur Park and commented about an online petition they initiated with respect to the Main Baseball Diamond at McArthur Park.

Council, by general consent, extended the presentation time for the Public Input Session registered speakers.

21. 385            MOVED  
To thank Ms. St. Jean and Mr. Fyith for their presentation to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**RECESS**

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:50 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:53 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance except Councillor Johnson, Councillor Moore and Councillor Tkachuk.

**ADDITION TO THE AGENDA**

21.386            MOVED  
To add to the May 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Agenda:

- Item 8.4- Personnel Matter (s.17-Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CLOSED SESSION**

21.387            MOVED  
To go into Closed Session at 1:55 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- Land Request (s.24-Advice from officials and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP)
- 8.2- Lakeshore Erosion Next Steps (s.24-Advice from officials)
- 8.3- Road Construction NE-32-68-13-W4 (s.24-Advice from officials)-*Addition to the Agenda*
- 8.4- Personnel Matter (s.17-Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP)- *Addition to the Agenda*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

Councillor Moore and Councillor Tkachuk joined the meeting at 1:56 p.m.

Councillor Johnson joined the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

8.1- Land Request (s.24-Advice from officials and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP)

8.2- Lakeshore Erosion Next Steps (s.24-Advice from officials)

8.3- Road Construction NE-32-68-13-W4 (s.24-Advice from officials)-  
*Addition to the Agenda*

8.4- Personnel Matter (s.17-Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP)-  
*Addition to the Agenda*

All Members of Administration exited Council Chambers at 3:05 p.m. prior to the discussion of Item 8.4. Members of Administration who were participating electronically were moved into a ZOOM Waiting Room.

Councillor L'Heureux exited Council Chambers and did not return.

Members of Administration returned to Council Chambers at 3:17 p.m. Members of Administration who were on ZOOM were admitted back into the meeting.

## **RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

21.388

MOVED

To proceed with the meeting in Open Session at 3:20 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

7.5 McArthur Park Master Plan-Final

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division electronically presented the McArthur Park Master Plan-Final and responded to questions.

21.389            MOVED  
That County Council approve the McArthur Park Master Plan.

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

Opposed (3): Mayor Moghrabi, Deputy Mayor Beniuk, and Councillor Johnson

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

8.1      Land Request (s.24-Advice from officials and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP)

21.390            MOVED  
To accept the Land Request item as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.2      Lakeshore Erosion Next Steps (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP)

21.391            MOVED  
To accept the report as presented in Closed Session as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.3      Road Construction NE-32-68-13-W4 (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP)-*Addition to the Agenda*

21.392            MOVED  
That Council moves to cost share the construction of an access road to the NE 32-68-13-W4 as per the New Road Construction Request Policy PI-30-015 at an estimated cost of \$30,000 and further that the costs are to be transferred from accumulated surplus, recognizing the 20% contribution of the landowner as the work completed to date.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



8.4 Personnel Matter (s.17-Disclosure harmful to personal privacy-FOIP)-*Addition to the Agenda*

21.393 MOVED  
To proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

*There were no Notices of Motion presented.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

21.394 MOVED  
To adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of May 11, 2021  
at 3:43 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**Omer Moghrabi, Mayor**

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**Ken Van Buul  
Chief Administrative Officer**