

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, Province of Alberta, held September 9, 2014 at the Municipal Office, Berwyn, Alberta.

Present

Reeve
Councillors
Veronica Bliska
Robert Willing
George Brightwell
Orwell Bettenson
Sandra Eastman

Attending

C.A.O. Lyle McKen
Recording Secretary Barbara Johnson
Mile Zero News Justine Kimoden

Call to Order

Reeve Bliska called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda

George Brightwell: MOVED that the agenda for the September 9, 2014 regular meeting of Council be adopted with the addition of the following:

- D.1.e) Request from Jim Carruthers to install cross culvert
- D.1.f) Ed Gerk - damaged culverts
- D.1.g) Sandra Friesen – culvert removal

Carried

Approval of Minutes

1. August 12, 2014 Regular Council Meeting

Robert Willing: MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on August 12, 2014 be approved as circulated.

Carried

Business Arising Out of Minutes

1. Berwyn Arena Funding

George Brightwell: MOVED that the Village of Berwyn retain the \$37,500. donation and further, that it only be used towards future arena renovations.

Carried

2. Funding for Public Library Services

Council accepted for information the reply received from the Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding increased funding for Public Library Services.

3. Temporary Foreign Worker Program

Council accepted for information the reply received from the Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour regarding the federal Temporary Foreign Worker program.

**4. Community Advisory Committee for Gravel Pit Operations
- Proposed Terms of Reference**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council approve the draft Terms of Reference for the Community Advisory Committee for Gravel Pit Operations as amended.

Carried

Appointments

1. Barry Denison, Public Works Foreman

Barry Denison joined the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

a) Public Works Foreman's Report

Barry Denison reviewed his written report.

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the Public Works Foreman's Report be accepted as presented.

Carried

b) Request from Melvin Haakenson to install an approach

Robert Willing: MOVED that Council ratify Melvin Haakenson's approach installation request to SE24-82-25W5 as per policy.

Carried

c) Request from Larry Freeland/Alvin Johnson to move an approach

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that Council approve the approach move request
317/14 to a location further north on NE10-82-26W5 at the owner's cost.
Carried

d) Request from Troels Hansen to move or install approach

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that Council approve the approach move or new installatio
318/14 request on NW32-82-23W5 at the owner's cost.
Carried

e) Request from Jim Carruthers to install cross culvert on RR245

Robert Willing: MOVED that the request from Jim Carruthers to install
319/14 a cross culvert on RR245 be approved.
Carried

f) Ed Gerk – repair culverts in road ditches on RR260 and TWP RD814
Barry Denison will talk to Ed Gerk and have the various culvert ends repaired.

g) Sandra Friesen – culvert removal on RR261
Barry Denison will be commencing work this month on repairing water problems along
RR261 north of Highway 2, including the removal of the culverts that were installed last
fall.

Barry excused himself from the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

**Business Arising
Out of Minutes**

**5. Elected Officials Education Program
- Registration for Online Courses**

George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. pay the registration fees for any
320/14 Councillors wishing to take online EOEP courses.
Carried

6. Property Tax Write-Off

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council authorize \$9,223.23 in property taxes
321/14 for Legend Energy Ltd. to be written off.
Carried

Reports

**1. Financial Statement
- For the Month Ending August 31, 2014**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council accept the August 31, 2014 Financial
322/14 Statement as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.
Carried

2. Accounts for Payment

George Brightwell: MOVED that 34 electronic fund transfers and cheque #7149 to
323/14 cheque #7217 in the total amount of \$342,523.07 be approved for
payment.
Carried

3. Administrator's Report

Lyle McKen reviewed his written report with Council.

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the Administrator's report be accepted for information,
324/14 a copy of which forms part of these minutes.
Carried

**Appointments
Continued**

2. Nasar Iqbal, Agricultural Fieldman
Nasar Iqbal joined the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

a) Agricultural Fieldman's Report

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the September 9, 2014 Agricultural Fieldman's
325/14 report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Nasar Iqbal excused himself from the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

**Reports
Continued**

4. Councillors' Reports

Orwell Bettenson reported on the following meetings he attended:

- A.A.M.D.C. Zone Meeting August 15 at Northern Sunrise County
- volunteered at the Paddle the Peace event August 17
- Grimshaw Co-op Seed Cleaning Plant meeting in Grimshaw September 8

Robert Willing reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Inter-Municipal Cooperation Committee meeting with the Town of Peace River August 12
- A.A.M.D.C. Zone Meeting August 15 at Northern Sunrise County
- Inter Municipal Development Plan meeting (Berwyn, Grimshaw, Municipal District of Peace) August 19 in Berwyn
- Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board meetings August 20, 25 and September 4
- Municipal Governance Symposium in Grande Prairie on September 5

**Land Use/Planning/
Subdivisions**

**1. Application For Amendment To The Land Use Bylaw
- Public Hearing: Bylaw No. 10/2014**

The applicants, Daniel and Janet Driedger, were not present for the Public Hearing.

Reeve Bliska called the Public Hearing to order at 11:03 a.m.

Reeve Bliska noted that Bylaw No. 10/2014 provides for the re-designation of part of the NW33-82-24-W5M from Agricultural District (AG) to Highway Commercial District (HC). The proposed amendment allows for the development of a commercial business.

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Public Hearing be adjourned at 11:05 a.m.
326/14 Carried

George Brightwell: MOVED second reading of Bylaw No. 10/2014.
327/14 Carried

Sandra Eastman: MOVED third reading of Bylaw No. 10/2014.
328/14 Carried

**Reports
Continued**

George Brightwell had nothing to report.

Sandra Eastman reported on the following meetings she attended:

- A.A.M.D.C. Zone meeting August 15 at Northern Sunrise County
- volunteered at the Paddle the Peace event August 17
- North Peace Housing Foundation meeting in Berwyn September 3
- Municipal Governance Symposium in Grande Prairie September 5

Veronica Bliska reported on the following meetings she attended:

- Inter-Municipal Cooperation Committee meeting with the Town of Peace River August 12
- A.A.M.D.C. Zone Meeting August 15 at Northern Sunrise County
- Inter Municipal Development Plan meeting (Berwyn, Grimshaw, Municipal District of Peace) August 19 in Berwyn
- Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency meeting in Manning August 22

**Reports
Continued**

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Councillors' Reports be accepted as presented.
329/14 Carried

**Land Use/
Planning/
Subdivisions
Continued**

**2. Subdivision Application
- R. King & C. Donis: E ½ 30-82-23-W5**

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council recommend approval of the R. King and
330/14 C. Donis subdivision application, subject to:

- any outstanding property taxes are to be paid on the land proposed to be subdivided.
- an agreement being signed for the provision of a 12 metre access to the balance of each of the quarters by the applicant/developer prior to the subdivision being registered.
- the existing sewage disposal system being relocated as per the Alberta Private Disposal Regulations.

Carried

**3. Religious Use Facility in an Agricultural District
- Comments from M.M.S.A.**

Council requested that the owner provide answers to the questions suggested by Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency regarding the proposed religious use facility and further, that Administration re-affirm to the owner that the land is better agricultural land and the M.D.'s Municipal Development Plan discourages development on better agricultural land.

4. Proposal to create a 40 acre parcel within the NE27-83-22W5

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council support, in principle, the tentative proposal
331/14 to subdivide 114 acres of land on the NE27-83-22W5 and to consolidate the remaining 30 acres with the existing 10 acre subdivision.

Carried

Council recessed for lunch at 12:03 p.m.

Council reconvened from lunch at 12:56 p.m. with all Councillors, Lyle McKen, Nasar Iqbal and Barbara Johnson present.

**Confidential
Items**

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council go in-camera at 12:57 p.m. to discuss the
332/14 following item:

1. Weed Notice Enforcement
Carried

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the Council meeting return to an open meeting at
333/14 2:08 p.m.
Carried

Nasar Iqbal excused himself from the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Justine Kimoden, Mile Zero News, returned to the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace invoice the landowner for
334/14 60% of the cost of weed notice enforcement on his quarter of land.
Reeve Bliska requested a recorded vote.

IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Sandra Eastman	Veronica Bliska
George Brightwell	Robert Willing
	Orwell Bettenson
	Defeated

Correspondence

1. Policing Concerns
The email received from Jesse Onaissi regarding policing concerns was accepted by Council for information only.

2. 2014 Synergy Conference

Robert Willing: MOVED that Veronica Bliska, George Brightwell and Orwell
335/14 Bettenson be authorized to attend the Synergy Conference 2014
November 3-5, 2014 at Enoch, Alberta.

Carried

**3. Peace River School Division
- June 10, 2014 Joint Municipalities Meeting**

The letter received from Peace River School Division regarding the June 10, 2014
Joint Municipalities Meeting was accepted for information only.

New Business

**1. Shaftesbury Water Co-op
- Preliminary Engineering for Extension of Service**

The WSP/Focus quote for preliminary engineering for extension of service for the
Shaftesbury Water Co-op was accepted by Council for information. The Administration
was requested to invite Hubert Wald and his neighbors to a future meeting.

2. A.A.M.D.C. Councillor Pension Plan

Robert Willing: MOVED that Administration obtain more information on the
336/14 A.A.M.D.C. Councillor Pension Plan for Council's consideration.

Carried

3. Grants, Donations & Funding Policy

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the following Request for Funding Applications be
337/14 approved:

Berwyn Municipal Library	
- Children's Programming	\$1,000
Grimshaw Municipal Library	
- Seniors Tea Program	\$1,000
Peace Regional SPCA	
- Operating Costs	\$1,000

Carried

4. Invoicing for Fire Calls

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 invoice the
338/14 M.D. of Fairview No. 136 for mutual aid assistance provided
at an August 9, 2014 fire.

Carried

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that John Woodburn be invoiced for the August 14, 2014
339/14 bale hauling truck fire costs in the amount of \$10,465.60.

Carried

Robert Willing: MOVED that landowners be invoiced for any external fire costs
340/14 that may be charged to the M.D. when the volunteer fire departments
require assistance responding to accidental fires.

Carried

Veronica Bliska excused herself from the meeting at 3:05 p.m.
Robert Willing assumed the Chair.

**5. Griffin Creek Landfill
- "Put & Take" Program**

George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace start a "Put & Take" program
341/14 at Griffin Creek Landfill in 2015 and further, that a seacan be
purchased for that use.

Carried

6. Upcoming Meeting Dates
- Organizational Meeting
- November Regular Council Meeting

George Brightwell: MOVED that the Organizational meeting be held Tuesday, 342/14 October 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. prior to the C.A.O. Planning Session meeting.

Carried

George Brightwell: MOVED that the November regular Council meeting be 343/14 moved to Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

Carried

7. 2014 Fall Convention

The A.A.M.D.C. Fall 2014 Convention Program was accepted as information by Council.

8. Accounting Software Quotes

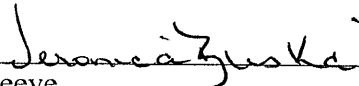
Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 contract with 344/14 Diamond Municipal Solutions to provide accounting software for the M.D. at a cost of \$78,698.00 plus GST, which also includes one year support maintenance.

Carried

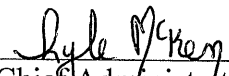
Adjournment

Being that the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

These minutes approved this 14th day of October, 2014.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer