

December 10, 2013 Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, Province of Alberta, held December 10, 2013 at the Municipal Office, Berwyn, Alberta.

Present
 Reeve Veronica Bliska
 Councillors Orwell Bettenson
 George Brightwell
 Sandra Friesen via skype
 Robert Willing

Attending
 C.A.O. Lyle McKen
 Recording Secretary Barbara Johnson
 Mile Zero News Shawn McGuire

Call to Order
 Reeve Bliska called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda
 George Brightwell: MOVED that the agenda for the December 10, 2013 regular meeting of Council be adopted with the following addition:

B.2. December 3, 2013 Special Council Meeting
 Carried

Approval of Minutes
1. November 7, 2013 Regular Council Meeting
 George Brightwell: MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council 325/13 held on November 7, 2013 be approved as circulated.
 Carried

2. December 3, 2013 Special Council Meeting

Robert Willing: MOVED that the minutes of the special meeting of Council 326/13 held on December 3, 2013 be approved as circulated.
 Carried

Appointments
1. Les Ford, Public Works Foreman
 Les Ford joined the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

a) Request from Darcy Eastman
- Request to widen existing approach: SW2-82-25-W5

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council approve the Darcy Eastman approach 327/13 widening request.
 Carried

b) Request from Carole Williams
- Request for tree removal on Municipal Reserve - Pt.NE16-83-23-W5

Sandra Friesen: MOVED that this item be tabled until a price is received 328/13 for mulching the water course within the municipal reserve property on the NE16-83-23-W5.
 Carried

Les excused himself from the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

Business Arising Out of Minutes
1. North Peace Housing Foundation
- Remote Seniors Housing Initiatives Committee Terms of Reference

The copy of the letter received from North Peace Housing Foundation to Northern Sunrise Country regarding the Remote Seniors Housing Initiatives Committee Terms of Reference was accepted for information.

2. Acquisition of CN Property in Brownvale

George Brightwell: MOVED that CN's response regarding the M.D.'s request to 329/13 purchase CN property in Brownvale be placed on the agenda of the January 22, 2014 North Peace Protocol meeting.
 Carried

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Reports

1. Financial Statement

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council accept the November 30, 2013 Financial Statement as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.
330/13
Carried

2. Accounts for Payment

George Brightwell: MOVED that 10 electronic fund transfers and cheque #6422 to 331/13 cheque #6502 in the total amount of \$ 369,791.67 be approved for payment.
Carried

3. Administrator's Report

Lyle McKen reviewed his written report with Council.

It was decided that the January CAO Planning Session be changed to January 21, 2014 and the February CAO Planning Session be changed to February 24, 2014.

Internet service was discussed by Council at some length and it was felt that if AB North is not able to provide adequate and consistent internet connectivity for the M.D. office, that the M.D. should consider connecting to Axia SuperNet Ltd. for internet service after a trial period with AB North.

Robert Willing: MOVED that Administration be directed to research the cost for the redesign of the municipal website, ensuring that the website provider also provides website support.
332/13
Carried

George Brightwell: MOVED that the Administrator's report be accepted for information, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.
333/13
Carried

Appointments Continued

2. Nasar Iqbal, Agricultural Fieldman

Nasar joined the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

a) Agricultural Fieldman's Report

Council reviewed the written report provided by Nasar.

Sandra Friesen: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace provide \$500. in sponsorship for Wheat Midge meetings to be held in the Peace region.
334/13
Carried

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the Agricultural Fieldman's report be accepted as presented.
335/13
Carried

Nasar excused himself from the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Reports Continued

4. Councillors' Reports

Sandra Friesen had nothing to report.

George Brightwell reported on the following meetings he attended:

- PREDA Annual General Meeting in Fairview on November 9
- Peace River Museum presentation November 18 in Peace River
- Peace Valley Conservation, Recreation & Tourism Society meeting in Fairview on November 19
- Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency Elected Officials Seminar December 3 in Peace River

Robert Willing reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Peace Regional RCMP Community Advisory Committee meeting in Peace River November 20
- Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board Strategic Planning Session November 28 in Grimshaw
- Cargill Open House December 9 in Grimshaw

Orwell Bettenson reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Meeting with the Premier in Falher on November 8
- PREDA Annual General Meeting in Fairview on November 9
- V.S.I. Annual Meeting in Peace River on November 21
- Cargill Open House December 9 in Grimshaw

Veronica Bliska reported on the following meetings she attended:

- Meeting with the Premier in Falher on November 8
- A.A.M.D.C. Convention in Edmonton November 12-15
- Peace Library System meeting in Grande Prairie November 30
- Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency executive meeting in Grimshaw December 2
- Birch Hills County 100th Anniversary Celebration in Wanham December 6
- Cargill Open House December 9 in Grimshaw

Robert Willing: 336/13 **MOVED** that the Councillors' Reports be accepted as presented.
Carried

Lunch

Council recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Council reconvened from lunch at 1:00 p.m. with all Councillors, Lyle McKen, Shawn McGuire and Barbara Johnson present.

**Land Use/Planning/
Subdivisions**

1. Subdivision Application
- **Brian Bliska: Pt. NE17-83-23-W5**

Sandra Friesen: 337/13 **MOVED** that Council recommend approval of the Brian Bliska subdivision application, subject to:
- the payment of any outstanding property taxes on the land proposed to be subdivided
- the payment of money in lieu of municipal reserve.

Carried

**Appointments
Continued**

3. KCL Consulting Ltd.
Kevin Lawrence joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Kevin reviewed the property assessment process with Council.

Kevin Lawrence excused himself from the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

**Land Use/Planning/
Subdivisions
Continued**

2. Amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 1/2012
- **Rural Industrial: Petroleum Facility District (RI-PF)**

Orwell Bettenson: 338/13 **MOVED** that this item be tabled to the January 14, 2014 regular meeting of Council.

Carried

3. Application For Amendment To The Land Use Bylaw
- **Cargill Limited: Lots 1 & 2, Block 1, Plan 972 0451**

Sandra Friesen: 339/13 **MOVED** that this item be tabled until Cargill has completed the TIA and an opportunity for adequate stakeholder consultation has occurred.

Carried

Correspondence

1. Grimshaw Municipal Library
The letter received from the Grimshaw Municipal Library was accepted as information only.



**Appointments
Continued**

4. Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board

Albert Cooper, Board Chair, joined the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

Albert discussed the restructured mandate of the Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board with Council.

Albert Cooper excused himself from the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

**Correspondence
Continued**

2. Peace Library System

The letter received from Peace Library System was accepted as information only.

3. STARS

The thank you letter received from STARS was accepted as information only.

4. TransCanada

- Decommissioning at Cardinal Lake Compressor Station

The letter received from TransCanada regarding the decommissioning of three compressor units at SW23-81-26-W5 was accepted as information only.

- Road Use/Existing Approach Notification

The letter received from TransCanada regarding use of Range Road 262 and the approach on SW23-81-26-W5 was accepted as information only.

5. Federation of Canadian Municipalities

- FCM's 2014 Annual Conference and Trade Show

Orwell Bettenson: 340/13
MOVED that George Brightwell, Veronica Bliska and Sandra Friesen be authorized to attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference to be held in Niagara Falls, ON from May 30 - June 2, 2014, and further, that the Councillors will notify the M.D. office before the end of December if they plan to attend.

Carried

- Rail Safety and the Transportation of Dangerous Goods

Robert Willing: 341/13
MOVED that the Municipal District inform Transport Canada that it wishes to receive the annual reports from CN regarding the nature and volume of dangerous goods that are being transported through the Municipality.

Carried

6. Alberta Pond Hockey Association

- 2014 Alberta Pond Hockey Championships

Sandra Friesen: 342/13
MOVED that the M.D. of Peace contribute \$5,000 as the Gala Evening Sponsor towards the 2014 Alberta Pond Hockey Championships and further, that the M.D. provide the snowplowing of the parking lot at Lac Cardinal during the 2014 Alberta Pond Hockey Championships.

Carried

New Business

1. Bylaw No. 9/2013

- Reduced Speed Limit Bylaw

George Brightwell: 343/13
MOVED second reading of Bylaw No. 9/2013.

Carried

**2. Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency
- Geotechnical and Environmental Assessments Seminar**

Sandra Friesen: MOVED that George Brightwell, Robert Willing, Barbara Johnson
344/13 and Lyle McKen be authorized to attend the Geotechnical and
Environmental Assessments Seminar to be held in Peace River
January 30, 2014.

Carried

3. Growing the North Conference

George Brightwell: MOVED that George Brightwell, Orwell Bettenson, Veronica Bliska,
345/13 Sandra Friesen and Lyle McKen be authorized to attend the Growing
the North Conference to be held in Grande Prairie February 19 & 20,
2014.

Carried

4. Emerging Trends in Municipal Law 2014

The notice of the Emerging Trends in Municipal Law 2014 Seminar was accepted as
information only.

5. Grants, Donations & Funding Policy

Robert Willing: MOVED that the following Request for Funding Applications be
346/13 approved:

Community Futures Peace Country 7th Annual WIN Conference	\$ 350
Grimshaw Jr/Sr High School Council (Breakfast Program)	\$ 500
Brownvale Community Club (1st Aid Station)	\$ 250
Berwyn Mun. Library (Children's Programming)	\$ 900
Grimshaw Mun. Library (Family Literacy)	\$1,000

Carried

**6. Petrus Resources Ltd.
- Request for Consent to Construct Approaches**

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council approve the following Petrus Resources Ltd.
347/13 approach installation requests:
NW15-81-25-W5M MSL File: 13-0962
NW15-81-25-W5M MSL File: 13-0963
NW16-81-25-W5M MSL File: 13-0975
NE16-81-25-W5M MSL File: 13-0976

Carried

7. 2014 V.S.I. Contract

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council approve the 2014 V.S.I. Contract and
348/13 authorize its signing.

Carried

**8. Christmas Floater
- Friday, December 27, 2013**

Sandra Friesen: MOVED that Council authorize all permanent employees be given
349/13 Friday, December 27, 2013 as a day off with pay.

Carried

Shawn McGuire excused himself from the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

**Confidential
Items**

Robert Willing: MOVED that Council go in-camera at 3:14 p.m. to discuss the
350/13 following item:

K.1. Brownvale Fire Dept.

Carried

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the Council meeting return to an open meeting at
351/13 3:27 p.m.

Carried


Robert Willing: MOVED that Tyler Gerk be appointed as Acting Fire Chief of the
352/13 Brownvale Fire Department until March 31, 2014.

Carried

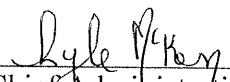
Adjournment

Being that the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

These minutes approved this 15th day of January, 2014.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer