

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, Province of Alberta, held June 10, 2014 at the Municipal Office, Berwyn, Alberta.

**Present**

Reeve  
Councillors  
Veronica Bliska  
Robert Willing  
Orwell Bettenson  
George Brightwell @ 9:08 a.m.

**Attending**

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

**Call to Order**

Reeve Bliska called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Robert Willing: 195/14  
MOVED that the agenda for the June 10, 2014 regular meeting of Council be adopted with the addition of:  
  
C.4. Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board  
- Amended Board Agreement  
F.4. Inter-Municipal Development Plan - M.D. of Peace, Town of Grimshaw, Village of Berwyn  
G.8. Clear Hills County  
- Community BBQ: Friday, July 11, 2014  
Carried

**Approval of Minutes**

**1. May 12, 2014 Regular Council Meeting**  
Robert Willing: 196/14  
MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on May 12, 2014 be approved as circulated.  
Carried

**Business Arising Out of Minutes**

**1. Rotary House Project**  
Orwell Bettenson: 197/14  
MOVED that the Municipal District of Peace contribute \$2,500. to the Rotary House Project.  
Carried  
  
**2. Assistant C.A.O. Position**  
Robert Willing: 198/14  
MOVED that the Municipal District advertize the newly created Assistant C.A.O. position.  
Carried

**Appointments**

**1. Barry Denison, Public Works Foreman**  
Barry Denison joined the meeting at 9:25 a.m.  
  
**a) Public Works Foreman's Report**  
Barry Denison reviewed his written report.  
Orwell Bettenson: 199/14  
MOVED that the Public Works Foreman's Report be accepted as presented.  
Carried  
  
**b) Requests from Huguette Ropchan for signage and second approach**  
Robert Willing: 200/14  
MOVED that Council deny the request for pedestrian signage on RR243.  
Carried  
  
Robert Willing: 201/14  
MOVED that Council approve the Huguette Ropchan approach installation request to SW14-83-24-W5 at the owner's cost.  
Carried

**c) Request from Lac Cardinal Regional Pioneer Village Museum Society  
for gravel**

George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. donate gravel and spread it on the 3 location:  
202/14 requested within the Pioneer Village Museum yard.  
Carried

**d) Request from Bob Allen to widen existing approach**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council approve the joint approach widening request  
203/14 at N ½ 35-81-25-W5 to 15 metres at the owner's cost.  
Carried

Barry excused himself from the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**Business Arising  
Out of Minutes  
Continued**

**3. Municipal Climate Change Action Centre  
- TAME Buildings Initiative: Amended Completion Date**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council approve the MCCAC Tame Buildings  
204/14 Amending Agreement which extends the completion deadline and  
further, that the funds could be used for office furnace replacement.  
Carried

**4. Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board  
- Amended Board Agreement**

Robert Willing: MOVED that Council Motion 102/14 be rescinded and further, that  
205/14 Council approve an amended Lac Cardinal Regional Economic  
Development Board Agreement with the Town of Peace River being  
added as a party to the agreement on a 6 month trial basis for a  
membership fee of \$33,000.  
Carried

**Appointments  
Continued**

**2. Nasar Iqbal, Agricultural Fieldman**  
Nasar Iqbal joined the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

**a) Agricultural Fieldman's Report  
- May 12, 2014**

Robert Willing: MOVED that Council support the full ditch mowing program as  
206/14 recommended by the Agricultural Service Board.  
Carried

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the May 12, 2014 Agricultural Fieldman's  
207/14 report be accepted as presented.  
Carried

**- June 10, 2014**

Robert Willing: MOVED that the June 10, 2014 Agricultural Fieldman's  
208/14 report be accepted as presented.  
Carried

**b) Appointment of Weed Inspector/Pest Inspector**

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that, pursuant to the Weed Control Act and the  
209/14 Agricultural Pests Act, Larry Faulkner be appointed as an  
Inspector for the Municipal District of Peace No. 135.  
Carried

Nasar Iqbal excused himself from the meeting at 10:33 a.m.

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

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council accept the May 31, 2014 Financial  
210/14 Statement as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes  
Carried

**2. Accounts for Payment**

Robert Willing: MOVED that 23 electronic fund transfers and cheque #6904 to  
211/14 cheque #6977 in the total amount of \$392,293.74 be approved for  
payment.  
Carried

**3. Administrator's Report**

Lyle McKen reviewed his written report with Council.

George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. supply electricity for Gil Wiens' use  
212/14 at Lac Cardinal in 2014 as he acts as summer caretaker.  
Carried

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Administrator's report be accepted for information,  
213/14 a copy of which forms part of these minutes.  
Carried

**4. Councillors' Reports**

Robert Willing reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Peace Oil Sands Conference May 13 & 14 in Peace River
- Peace Regional Pool meeting in Peace River May 14
- Joint Inter-Municipal Development Plan meeting on June 9

George Brightwell reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Peace Oil Sands Conference in Peace River May 13 & 14
- North Peace Housing Foundation meetings May 15 & June 4
- Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board meeting June 5

Appointments  
Continued

**3. Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency**  
**- Five Year Strategic Plan: 2015-2019**

Ron Longtin, Karen Diebert, Elaine Manzer, Ali Taghavi and Havan Surat joined the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

The delegation outlined the proposed Five Year Strategic Plan.

Ron Longtin, Karen Diebert, Elaine Manzer, Ali Taghavi and Havan Surat excused themselves from the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

George Brightwell: MOVED that the Municipal District of Peace No. 135 accept the  
214/14 Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency Five Year Strategic Plan  
2015-2019 and further, that the M.D. agree to enter into a 5 year  
service agreement.  
Carried

Reports  
Continued

Orwell Bettenson reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Peace Oil Sands Conference May 13-14 in Peace River
- Grimshaw Seed Cleaning Plant meeting in Grimshaw May 14
- Co-operative Library Board meeting in Berwyn May 14
- ATCO Symposium in Grande Prairie May 22
- Leading the North Conference in Fort McMurray May 26-28
- FCM in Niagara Falls May 29 - June 3

Veronica Bliska reported on the following meetings she attended:

- Peace Oil Sands Conference May 14 in Peace River
- Doctor Recruitment & Retention meeting May 15 in Grimshaw
- NADC Supper in Fairview May 21
- ATCO Symposium in Grande Prairie May 22
- Leading the North Conference in Fort McMurray May 26-28
- FCM in Niagara Falls May 29 - June 2
- Joint Inter-Municipal Development Plan meeting June 9

George Brightwell: MOVED that the Councillors' Reports be accepted as presented.  
215/14 Carried

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

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

**Appointments**  
**Continued**

**4. Peace River Library Board**

Leslie Ayre-Jaschke and Linda Prudholme-Warrior joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Leslie and Linda outlined the changes/improvements and programming in the Peace River Library over the past several years.

Leslie Ayre-Jaschke and Linda Prudholme-Warrior excused themselves from the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

**Land Use/Planning/  
Subdivisions**

**1. Application For Amendment To The Land Use Bylaw**  
**- Public Hearing: Bylaw No. 8/2014**

The applicants, Lucia Martin and La Ngo, were not present for the Public Hearing.

Reeve Bliska called the Public Hearing to order at 1:30 p.m.

Reeve Bliska noted that Bylaw No. 8/2014 provides for the re-designation of part of the SW28-83-22-W5M from Joint Plan Agricultural District (JPAG) to Country Residential District (CR). The proposed re-designation will allow for the creation of two country residential subdivisions.

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Public Hearing be adjourned at 1:32 p.m.  
216/14 Carried

Robert Willing: MOVED second reading of Bylaw No. 8/2014.  
217/14 Carried

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED third reading of Bylaw No. 8/2014.  
218/14 Carried

**3. Subdivision Application**  
**- Rob & Carrie Dickson: Pt. NW24-83-23-W5**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council recommend approval of the Rob & Carrie Dickson subdivision application, subject to:

- any outstanding property taxes are to be paid on the land proposed to be subdivided.
- an easement being entered into for the joint use of the existing approach
- municipal reserve owing to be provided in the form of money-in-lieu at \$1,000/acre.

Carried

**4. Inter-Municipal Development Plan**

**- M.D. of Peace No. 135, Town of Grimshaw, Village of Berwyn**

Proposed areas to be included in the Inter-Municipal Development Plan were discussed. Council agreed to support a modified version of Option 2 with a reduced boundary of ½ mile beyond the urban fringe around the Town of Grimshaw.

**Correspondence**

**1. Peace Regional Air Show  
- Road Closure Request**

George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace approve the road closure of RR224 from Hwy 2 south to TWP834 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday July 13, 2014 for the Peace Regional Air Show.

Carried

**Land Use/  
Planning/  
Subdivisions  
Continued**

**2. Application For Amendment To The Land Use Bylaw  
- Public Hearing: Bylaw No. 7/2014**

The applicants, Elbow River Marketing Inc. (Frank Bradford and Brock Mura), were present for the Public Hearing. Harvey, Jeremy and Christel Johnson, Judy and Albert Dallaire, Ronglin Yu, Ning An and Greg Brown were also in attendance for the Public Hearing.

Reeve Bliska called the Public Hearing to order at 2:00 p.m.

Reeve Bliska noted that Bylaw No. 7/2014 provides for the re-designation of part of the SW21-83-22-W5M from Joint Plan Agricultural District (JPAG) to Rural Industrial: Petroleum Facility District (RI-PF). The rezoning will allow for the proposed subdivision of the existing Elbow River transloading facility from Railway Right of Way Plan 1373CL.

Frank Bradford of Elbow River Marketing Inc. gave a presentation on Elbow River Marketing Inc.'s operations in the local area and the reason for their Application for Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw.

Judy Dallaire, Albert Dallaire, Harvey Johnson, Christel Johnson, Ronglin Yu all voiced their comments and concerns regarding the proposed rezoning.

Shaw McGuire of Mile Zero News rejoined the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Public Hearing be adjourned at 2:45 p.m.  
221/14 Carried

Brock Mura, Frank Bradford, Harvey, Jeremy and Christel Johnson, Judy and Albert Dallaire, Ronlin Yu, Ning An and Greg Brown excused themselves from the Public Hearing at 2:46 p.m.

Robert Willing: MOVED that second reading of Bylaw No.7/2014 be tabled until further information is gathered regarding dust control options and highway intersection improvements at RR224.  
222/14 Carried

Shawn McGuire excused himself from the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

**Confidential  
Items**

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council go in-camera at 3:10 p.m. to discuss the following item:

**1. Proposed Industrial Camp Development**

Carried

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the Council meeting return to an open meeting at 3:40 p.m.  
224/14

Carried

Shaw McGuire of Mile Zero News rejoined the meeting at 3:41 p.m.

**2. Town of Peace River  
- Peace Regional Pool – Facility Upgrades**

Robert Willing: MOVED that Council authorize the M.D. of Peace No. 135 to  
225/14 participate in an application for the Peace Regional Pool - Facility Upgrade project, submitted by the Town of Peace River under the Regional Collaboration component of the Alberta Community Partnership Program and further, that the M.D. provide \$50,000. in 2015 to be used towards the air handler replacement.  
Carried

**3. Municipal District of Big Lakes  
- STARS Charity Golf Tournament**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Veronica Bliska be authorized to attend the  
226/14 STARS Charity Golf Tournament on August 21, 2014 in High Prairie.  
Carried

**4. Northern Sunrise County  
- Canada Day Celebration**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Robert Willing, George Brightwell and Orwell  
227/14 Bettenson be authorized to attend the Canada Day Celebration on June 25, 2014 at Northern Sunrise County.  
Carried

**5. Northern Alberta Development Council  
- Transportation Priorities Workshop**

Robert Willing: MOVED that George Brightwell be authorized to attend the NADC  
228/14 Transportation Priorities Workshop to be held in Peace River on June 11, 2014.  
Carried

**6. Mighty Peace Tourist Association  
- Notice of Annual General Meeting**

The Notice of Annual General Meeting received from the Mighty Peace Tourist Association was accepted by Council for information.

**7. Alberta Development Officers Association**

The letter received from the Alberta Development Officers Association regarding sponsorship for the ADOA Conference was accepted for information only.

**8. Clear Hills County  
- Community BBQ: Friday, July 11, 2014**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Orwell Bettenson be authorized to attend the Clear  
229/14 Hills County Community BBQ on Friday, July 11, 2014.  
Carried

**New Business**

**1. Bridge File 08888  
- Awarding of Tender**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council accept the tender bid from  
230/14 Clean Harbours Exploration Services Ltd. in the amount of \$132,850. for culvert extensions and other repairs to Bridge File 08888.  
Carried

**2. Gravel Loading and Hauling Tender**

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council award the 2014 gravel loading and hauling  
231/14 tender to Wheatfield Contractors Ltd. (\$.54 per cubic yard for loading and \$.50 per cubic yard mile for hauling).  
Carried

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**3. Grants, Donations & Funding Policy**

Robert Willing: 232/14 MOVED that the following Request for Funding Applications be approved:

Grimshaw Jr/Sr High School Council (ipads)	\$ 500.
Peace River Community Events Society (PeaceFest)	\$1,000.
Peace Regional Air Show Association (Air Show)	\$1,000.
North Peace Stampede Association (pens/railing repairs)	\$ 500.

Carried

**4. PREDA**

**- Determination of Population Regulation**

George Brightwell: 233/14 MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 send a letter to the Acting Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs requesting that the current regulations regarding shadow population counting be revised to allow for greater flexibility, with cc's to MLA Hector Goudreau and MLA Frank Oberle.

Carried

**- Moratorium on Temporary Foreign Workers**

Robert Willing: 234/14 MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 send a letter to Minister Jason Kenney requesting that the moratorium on temporary foreign workers be lifted and other strategies be developed to deal with abuse of the program.

Carried

**5. Website Design Proposals**

Robert Willing: 235/14 MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 contract New Harvest Media Inc. to develop a new website for the M.D. for a setup fee of \$6,997.00 plus \$125/year website hosting fee.

Carried

**6. North Peace Gas Co-op Ltd.**

**- Road Crossing Approvals**

Orwell Bettenson: 236/14 MOVED that Council approve the following North Peace Gas Co-op Ltd. road crossing requests as submitted:

- between SW28-83-23-W5 and SE29-83-23-W5
- across Hillside Road on River Lot 32 Shaftesbury Settlement

Carried

**7. By-election**

George Brightwell: 237/14 Moved that election day for the Division 1 By-election be Monday, July 28, 2014.

Carried

**8. Change date of July 8, 2014 Regular Council Meeting**

Robert Willing: 238/14 MOVED that the regular July meeting of Council be moved to Monday, July 14, 2014.

Carried

**Information**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that George Brightwell be authorized to attend the  
239/14 Community Futures Peace Country AGM in Manning on June 16.  
Carried

**Confidential  
Items Continued**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council go in-camera at 4:32 p.m. to discuss the  
240/14 following items:

1. Proposed Industrial Camp Development
2. Potential Property Acquisitions
3. Proposal for Architectural Services

Carried

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Council meeting return to an open meeting at  
241/14 5:00 p.m.

Carried

George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 purchase 3.88 acres of  
242/14 Lot 11, Block 5, Plan 0826354 for the sum of \$15,000 subject to  
no environmental issues with the land and further, that the M.D. pay  
all associated survey and subdivision costs.

Carried

Robert Willing: MOVED that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to  
243/14 negotiate the purchase of Lot A, Plan 1252HW as discussed by  
Council.

Carried

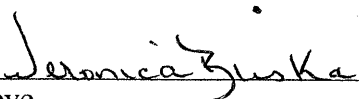
George Brightwell: MOVED that the M.D. of Peace No. 135 enter into an agreement  
244/14 with The Workun Garrick Partnership for the provision of  
architectural services for a new administration building.

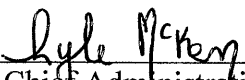
Carried

**Adjournment**

Being that the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

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

  
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Reeve

  
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Chief Administrative Officer