

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, Province of Alberta, held June 9, 2015 at the Municipal Office, Berwyn, Alberta.

- Present** Reeve Veronica Bliska
Councillors Robert Willing
Orwell Bettenson
George Brightwell
Sandra Eastman
- Attending** C.A.O. Lyle McKen
Recording Secretary Barbara Johnson
- Call to Order** Reeve Bliska called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- Adoption of Agenda** Robert Willing: MOVED that the agenda for the June 9, 2015 regular meeting of Council be adopted with the addition of the following:
141/15 G.8. Town of Peace River – Recreation Facility Committee
Carried
- Approval of Minutes** **1. May 7, 2015 Regular Council Meeting**
Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council
142/15 held on May 7, 2015 be approved as presented.
Carried
- Business Arising Out of Minutes** **1. 100th Anniversary Committee Meeting**
Council discussed the 100th Anniversary Committee suggestions at length. It was requested that the celebration events be kept to one weekend or one day. Quality rather than quantity was to be considered due to lack of manpower.
- 2. Alberta Health**
- Dental Outreach Program
Council accepted for information only the letter received from Alberta Health regarding the Dental Outreach Program.
- Appointments** **1. Barry Denison, Public Works Foreman**
Barry Denison joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m.
- a) Public Works Foreman's Report**
Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that the Public Works Foreman's Report be accepted
143/15 as presented.
Carried
- b) Request from Garth Henry to Install Approach**
Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Council approve the installation of an approach
144/15 to Pt.NW31-82-25-W5 at the owner's cost.
Carried
- c) Request from James Doerksen to Install Approach**
Robert Willing: MOVED that Council approve the installation of an approach
145/15 to Pt.SW21-83-22-W5 at the owner's cost.
Carried
- d) Widening of Existing Right of Way: NE5-81-25-W5**
Veronica Bliska: MOVED that the Municipal District construct the municipal
146/15 road within the existing right of way once construction of the shop has commenced on the SE5-81-25-W5.
Carried

e) Slide Repair

George Brightwell: MOVED that repairs be made to the slide below the road within the 147/15 SW2-83-23-W5 south of the culvert being replaced on RR232 providing the cost does not exceed \$70,000.

Carried

Barry excused himself from the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

2. Nasar Iqbal, Agricultural Fieldman

Nasar Iqbal joined the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

a) Agricultural Fieldman's Report

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the June 9, 2015 Agricultural Fieldman's 148/15 report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Nasar Iqbal excused himself from the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

**Land Use/Planning/
Subdivisions**

1. Application for Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw

- **Cornelius & Anna Fehr: S ½ SE13-83-23W5**

- **Public Hearing: Bylaw No. 3/2015**

The applicants, Cornelius & Anna Fehr, were not present for the Public Hearing.

Reeve Bliska called the Public Hearing to order at 11:00 a.m.

Reeve Bliska noted that Bylaw No. 3/2015 provides for the re-designation of part of the S ½ of SE13-83-23-W5M from Joint Plan Agricultural District (JPAG) to Country Residential District (CR). The proposed amendment allows for the development of a residential subdivision.

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the Public Hearing be adjourned at 11:04 a.m. 149/15

Carried

Sandra Eastman: MOVED second reading of Bylaw No. 3/2015. 150/15

Carried

Robert Willing: MOVED third reading of Bylaw No. 3/2015. 151/15

Carried

Reports

1. Financial Statement

- **For the Month Ending May 31, 2015**

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council accept the May 31, 2015 Financial 152/15 Statement as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Carried

2. Accounts for Payment

Robert Willing: MOVED that 29 electronic fund transfers and cheque #7955 to 153/14 cheque #8030, with the exception of cheque #8024, in the total amount of \$544,368.03, be approved for payment.

Carried

Sandra Eastman abstained from discussions on cheque #8024 and excused herself from the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that cheque #8024 in the amount of \$5,885.25, payable to 154/15 TSEastman Contractors Inc. be approved for payment.

Carried

Sandra Eastman returned to the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

3. Administrator's Report

Lyle McKen reviewed his written report with Council.

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that the Administrator's report be accepted for information,
155/15 a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Carried

4. Councillors' Reports

Orwell Bettenson reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Grimshaw Co-op Seed Plant meeting April 8 in Grimshaw
- 100th Anniversary Committee meeting May 12 in Berwyn
- Regional Recreation Study in Grimshaw May 12 in Grimshaw

Robert Willing reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Berwyn Chamber of Commerce meeting in Berwyn May 11
- Regional Recreation Study in Grimshaw May 12
- RCMP Community Advisory Committee meeting May 20 in Peace River
- Lac Cardinal Regional Economic Development Board May 21 in Grimshaw

George Brightwell reported on the following meetings he attended:

- Regional Recreation Study in Grimshaw May 12
- Peace River School Division meeting May 20
- Peace Valley Conservation, Recreation & Tourism Society meeting June 2

Sandra Eastman reported on the following meetings she attended:

- Berwyn Chamber of Commerce meeting in Berwyn May 11
- 100th Anniversary Committee meeting May 12 in Berwyn
- Regional Recreation Study in Grimshaw May 12
- Grimshaw Library Grade 5 Reading Program May 19 in Grimshaw
- Mackenzie Municipal Services Agency scholarship awarding May 28
- North Peace Housing Foundation meeting June 3

Veronica Bliska reported on the following meetings she attended:

- Peace Library System AGM in Grande Prairie May 9
- Peace River School Division meeting in Berwyn May 20
- Doctor Retention meeting in Grimshaw May 29

George Brightwell: MOVED that the Councillors' Reports be accepted as presented.
156/15

Carried

Land Use/Planning/ Subdivisions Continued

2. Application for Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw

- Lou Gauthier: River Lot 32 Shaftesbury Settlement

George Brightwell: MOVED first reading of Bylaw No. 4/2015.

157/15

Carried

3. Country Residential Subdivisions on the Golf Course Road

As a follow up to the recent road tour, Council requested that Administration write another letter to two owners on the country residential subdivision on SW25-83-23-W5 regarding the lots' unsightliness and the absence of a residence on one of the lots.

Administration was requested to research unsightly premises bylaws.

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

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

Correspondence

1. Lac Ste. Anne County

- FCM Women in Municipal Government Fund

The thank you letter received from Lac Ste. Anne County regarding the FCM Women in Municipal Government Fund was accepted by Council as information only.

**2. V.S.I. Services (1980) Ltd.
- First Quarter Report**

Council accepted for information only the V.S.I. Services (1980) Ltd. first quarter report.

3. Northern Air Charter

The letter received from Northern Air Charter regarding their new ownership was accepted by Council for information only.

**4. Village of Nampa
- Grand Opening Ceremony**

Robert Willing: MOVED that Veronica Bliska and Orwell Bettenson be authorized to
158/15 attend the Nampa Civic Centre Grand Opening in Nampa on June
20, 2015.

Carried

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

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that Robert Willing and George Brightwell be authorized to
159/15 attend the Northern Sunrise County Canada Day Celebration on June
24, 2015.

Carried

**6. Mackenzie County
- Mackenzie Regional Charity Golf Tournament**

The invitation to the Mackenzie Regional Charity Golf Tournament was accepted for information by Council.

**7. Government of Alberta/Alberta Recreation and Parks Association
- Recreation Volunteer Recognition Awards**

Council accepted for information only the letter received from the Alberta Government, Recreation and Physical Activity Division, regarding Volunteer Recognition Awards.

- 2015 Energize Workshop

This item was tabled until more information is received.

**8. Town of Peace River
- Recreation Facility Committee**

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that Council appoint Veronica Bliska, Sandra Eastman and
160/15 Lyle McKen to participate in the Town's Recreation Facility
Committee.

Carried

New Business

**1. The Peace Valley Conservation, Recreation and Tourism Society
- Request for an Annual Financial Contribution**

Veronica Bliska excused herself from the meeting at 2:02 p.m.
Robert Willing in the Chair.

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that Council approve a \$1000 contribution to The
161/15 Peace Valley Conservation, Recreation and Tourism Society for
2015.

Carried

Veronica Bliska returned to the meeting at 2:08 p.m.
Veronica Bliska in the Chair.

2. BF13987

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council award the tender to Northsite Contractors
162/15 Ltd. in the amount of \$295,993.40 + GST for the culvert
replacement project.

Carried

3. Gravel Loading and Hauling Tender

George Brightwell and Sandra Eastman excused themselves from the meeting at 2:10 p.m. as they felt they each may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest.

Robert Willing: MOVED that Council award the 2015 gravel loading
163/15 and hauling tender to Wheatfield Contractors Ltd. (\$.43 per tonne for loading and \$.36 per tonne mile for hauling).
Carried

George Brightwell and Sandra Eastman returned to the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

**4. Grants, Donations & Funding Policy
- 3rd Quarter Funding Allocation**

Robert Willing: MOVED that the following Request for Funding Applications be
164/15 approved:
Peace River Aboriginal Interagency Committee
- 2015 Aboriginal Gathering/Pow Wow \$750
Peace River Community Events Society
- 2015 PeaceFest \$750
Carried

5. Water Operator Services Agreement

George Brightwell: MOVED that Council authorize the signing of the Water
165/15 Operator Services Agreement to be effective July 1, 2015 until
December 31, 2018.
Carried

6. Appointment of Auditor

George Brightwell: MOVED that Sylvain & Company be appointed as auditors for the
166/15 Municipal District of Peace No. 135 for the years 2015 and 2016.
Carried

7. Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program

Sandra Eastman: MOVED that Administration submit an application to the Canada
167/15 150 Community Infrastructure Program for interior wall upgrades
and floor refinishing to the Lac Cardinal Hall and further, that
Council commit up to \$30,000 in municipal funds towards this
project in 2016.
Carried

8. Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage

This item was tabled until the Municipal District receives a response to the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program application.

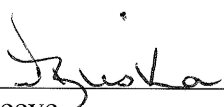
Information Council reviewed the information items.

Roundtable The sea can for the Drop and Swap initiative was delivered to the landfill last week. A teepee has been erected on River Lot 28 and concern was expressed regarding liability issues regarding proximity to the river bank.

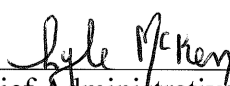
Orwell Bettenson: MOVED that Veronica Bliska be authorized to attend the August 13
168/15 Golf Tournament hosted by Big Lakes County.
Carried

Adjournment Being that the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

These minutes approved this 9th day of July, 2015.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer