

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Peace No. 135, Province of Alberta, held April 11, 2017 at the Municipal Office, Berwyn, Alberta.

Present

Reeve Robert Willing
Councillors Veronica Bliska
Janice Reyda

Regrets

Councillors George Brightwell
Sandra Eastman

Attending

C.A.O. Lyle McKen
Recording Secretary Barbara Johnson
Mile Zero News Geoffrey Jackson @ 9:05 a.m.

Call to Order

Reeve Willing called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda

Janice Reyda: MOVED that the agenda for the April 11, 2017 regular meeting of Council be adopted with the addition of the following:

- 4.4. Sand and Gravel Pit Program Review Committee
- 9.6. CARES Funding Thank you
- 13.1. Peace River Medical Clinic

Carried

Approval of Minutes

3.1. March 14, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on March 14, 2017 be approved as presented.

Carried

3.2. March 27, 2017 Special Council Meeting

Janice Reyda: MOVED that the minutes of the special meeting of Council held on March 27, 2017 be approved as presented.

Carried

Business Arising Out of Minutes

4.1. Peace Regional Healthcare Attraction and Retention Committee

Council accepted for information only the email received from the Town of Peace River regarding a change to the Terms of Reference for the Peace Regional Healthcare Attraction and Retention Committee.

4.2. Peace Regional Recreation Facility - Project Update

Geoffrey Jackson joined the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Council accepted for information only the update received from Tanya Bell, Town of Peace River, regarding the Peace Regional Recreation Facility. Any Councillors available on the date chosen for the sod turning will attend.

4.3. Pine River Developments Ltd. - Street Lights

Council advised that they do not have any concerns with Pine River Developments Ltd. not moving ahead at this time with street lighting in the subdivision on NW28-83-22-W5.

4.4. Sand and Gravel Pit Program Review Committee

Council discussed and agreed on the top items that could benefit from joint efforts between the AAMDC and the Alberta Sand and Gravel Association, as well as the top concerns regarding aggregate operations in our area.

Appointments

5.1. Barry Denison, Public Works Foreman

Barry Denison joined the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

a) Public Works Foreman's Report

Barry Denison reviewed his written report.

Janice Reyda: MOVED that the Public Works Foreman's Report be accepted
98/17 as presented.

Carried

b) Approach Installation request in Brownvale

Janice Reyda: MOVED that Council approve the Melissa Davies approach
99/17 installation request at Lot 8, Block 12, Plan 122 0849, Brownvale as
per policy.

Carried

c) Road Widening Request

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council approve Dave Whitney's road widening
100/17 request along Township Road 804, subject to:

1. Construction being completed to municipal standards by Dave Whitney at his expense under the Public Works Foreman's supervision
2. Dave Whitney must complete any brushing that is necessary and must also remove and replace the fence at his cost
3. New fence must be erected before grazing season commences.

Carried

Barry Denison excused himself from the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Reports

6.1. Financial Report

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council accept the March 31, 2017 Financial
101/17 Report as presented, a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Carried

6.2. Accounts for Payment

Janice Reyda: MOVED that 26 electronic fund transfers and cheque #9850 to
102/17 cheque #9920 in the total amount of \$284,128.72, be approved for
payment.

Carried

6.3. Administrator's Report

Lyle McKen reviewed his written report with Council.

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that the Administrator's report be accepted for information,
103/17 a copy of which forms part of these minutes.

Carried

6.4. Councillors' Reports

Veronica Bliska reported on the following meetings she attended:

- A.A.M.D.C. Spring Convention in Edmonton March 20-22
- Peace Library System Sustainability Working Group in Edmonton on March 23
- Peace Library System Board meeting in Grande Prairie on March 25
- Managing Wetland Assets Workshop in Grande Prairie on March 29
- Energizing the North Conference in Peace River on March 30
- CARES announcement in Fairview on April 7
- Peace Regional Medical Clinic meeting in Peace River on April 10

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**Correspondence
Continued****8.4. Service Alberta****- SuperNet and Rural Broadband in Alberta**

Council accepted for information only the letter received from the Minister of Service Alberta which provided an update on the Province's work with respect to SuperNet and the support of rural broadband in the province.

8.5. Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties**- Policy on Consultation with First Nations on Land and Natural Resource Management**

Janice Reyda: MOVED that Veronica Bliska be authorized to attend the April 26
108/17 consultation session for municipal and industry stakeholders on the
Policy on Consultation with First Nations on Land and Natural
Resource Management and the associated guidelines.
Carried

8.6. Alberta Seniors and Housing**- Minister's Seniors Service Awards**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that this item be tabled to the May 9, 2017 Council
109/17 meeting.
Carried

New Business**9.1. Approval of the December 31, 2016 Audited Financial Statement**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council approve the audited Financial Statement
110/17 for the year ended December 31, 2016 as presented.
Carried

9.2. Tax Rate Bylaw**- Bylaw No. 2/2017**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED first reading of Bylaw No. 2/2017.
111/17 Carried

Janice Reyda: MOVED second reading of Bylaw No. 2/2017.
112/17 Carried

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council proceed with third reading of Bylaw No.
113/17 2/2017 at this time.
Carried
Unanimously

Janice Reyda: MOVED third reading of Bylaw No. 2/2017.
114/17 Carried

9.3. Griffin Creek Landfill**- Spring Clean-Up Days**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that May 17, 20, 24, 27, 31 and June 3, 2017
115/17 be Spring Clean-Up Days at the Griffin Creek Landfill.
Carried

9.4. Rising Star Resources Ltd.**- Proposed Wellsite Project Information Letter**

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council accept the notification of the proposed
116/17 Triassic oil well on NE17-81-25-W5 and give Rising Star
Resources Ltd. permission to proceed.
Carried

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9.5. Write Off Bulk Water Dispensing Fee

Janice Reyda: MOVED that Council authorize the \$50 bulk water deposit
117/17 to be applied against the outstanding account of Topside
Equipment Services and the remaining balance of \$38.68 be written
off.

Carried

9.6. CARES Funding Thank You

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that a thank you be sent to the Minister of Economic
118/17 Development and Trade and copied to MLAs Debbie Jabbour and
Marg McCuaig-Boyd for awarding CARES funding in the
Peace region.

Carried

**Information
Items**

Council discussed the information items.

Question Period

Geoffrey Jackson, Mile Zero News, had no questions.

Geoffrey Jackson, Mile Zero News, excused himself from the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

**Confidential
Items**

Janice Reyda: MOVED that Council go in-camera at 11:42 a.m. to discuss the
119/17 following item:

13.1. Peace River Medical Clinic

Carried

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council revert to an open meeting at 11:57 a.m.
120/17 Carried

Veronica Bliska: MOVED that Council support in principle the option of the
121/17 Peace River Medical Clinic being municipally owned provided that
a business case is prepared and provided to all partner
municipalities before any further decisions are made.

Carried

Roundtable

None


Adjournment

Being that the agenda matters have been concluded, the meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

These minutes approved this 9th day of May, 2017.



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Chief Administrative Officer