

**BIG LAKES COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING**
January 23, 2019

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT WERE: Reeve: Richard Simard, Joussard
Deputy Reeve: Ken Matthews, N. Gilwood/Triangle
Councillor: Donald Bissell, Enilda/Big Meadow
Donald Charrois, HP East/Banana Belt
Ken Killeen, Kinuso
Robert Nygaard, Faust
Fern Welch, Grouard

Absent: David Marx, Prairie Echo/Salt Prairie
Ann Stewart, S. Sunset House/Gilwood

Administration: Jordan Panasiuk, CAO
Heather Nanninga, Director of Corporate Services
Jessica Martinson, Recording Secretary
Donna Duchesneau, Public Works Coordinator
Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development
Kaleb Brink, Grants Officer

Delegations: St. Andrew's Grade 6
HP & District Golf Course

Press: Richard Froese, South Peace News

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Simard called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO
THE AGENDA:**

2019-02-037 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the January 23, 2019 agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES:

2019-02-038 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that the January 9, 2019 Regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES:**

ACTION LIST:

2019-02-039 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION:

SARDA LAND PURCHASE:

2019-02-040 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the report from Councillor Bissell on the SARDA Land Purchase be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

***BIG LAKES CHARITY
GOLF TOURN.:***

2019-02-041 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that motion 2018-22-648 be rescinded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-02-042 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the following charities be approved for the 6th Annual Big Lakes Charity Golf Tournament the Heart & Stroke Foundation, the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation, the Swan Hill's Hospital Foundation, the High Prairie & District Health Foundation and other local charities council may approve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

CHEQUE LISTS:

2019-02-043 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that cheques #80215 to #80355 in the amount of \$533,412.22 for the period ending January 9, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

***GROUARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
OUTDOOR SKATING RINK:***

2019-02-044 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the budget overage of \$38,076 in 2019 be approved and that administration be directed to proceed with an agreement between the County and the Grouard Community Association, to rezone the three hamlet residential lots to parks and institutional, and to make the necessary repairs/ improvements to the rink including the installation of lighting, under the condition that Grouard's Cultural/recreation allocation is reduced by \$12,692 each year between 2020 and 2022 to account for the cost of the rink repairs.

DEFEATED

2019-02-045 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the agreement between the County and the Grouard Community Association, to rezone the three hamlet residential lots to parks and institutional, and to make the necessary repairs/ improvements to the rink including the installation of lighting be tabled until an elected community association has been filed to Corporate registries.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION:

***ST. ANDREW'S
GRADE 6:***

Franchesca and Tegan presented council with a PowerPoint presentation on behalf of the Grade 6 Students from St. Andrew's School.

Reeve Simard thanked the students.

**CORPORATE
SERVICES CON'T:**

***POLICY AMENDMENTS: COUNC 04
COUNCILLOR HONORARIUM:***

2019-02-046 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the proposed amendments to policy COUNC 04 Councillor Honorarium be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

***GROUARD SENIORS ASS.
CULTURAL/ RECREATION FUNDING:***

2019-02-047 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that Council tentatively approves the Grouard Seniors Association to receive the 2019 cultural/ recreation funding allocated to Grouard in the amount of \$39,952, pending the submission if the documents required by policy ADMIN-55, and require the group to sign an agreement stating they will return any unused fund along with up to date financial information at the County's request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

***HP FISH AND GAME
ASSOCIATION:***

2019-02-048 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the Annual Gun & Sportsman Show sponsorship be approved through a sponsorship grant of \$300, provides promotion items, reserve a 10 x10 both at \$250, as well as purchase two Dinner tickets and two extra wristbands at \$50 for a total of \$600.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RETURN OF SERVICE BURSARY:

2019-02-049 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that the updated Return of Service Bursary Policy Admin-58 be approved.

CARRIED

STARS SPONSORSHIP:

2019-02-050 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the sponsorship request from STARS be approved for an annual sponsorship commitment for 2020 and 2021 and provide the organization with a sponsorship payment of \$50,000 for 2018 and 2019. This will involve a budget overage in the amount of \$25,000 for 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

***HP NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE
LETTER OF SUPPORT:***

2019-02-051 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the letter of support for the High Prairie Native Friendship Centre be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

***DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
SUB#16-21:***

2019-02-052 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the Development Agreement for Subdivision File #16-21 be approved as presented with the requirement for security to be deposited by the Developer in an amount to be provided by the developer's engineer, verified by the County engineer and payable upon signing the agreement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

***GENERAL SERVING
STANDARDS POLICY ADMIN-61:***

2019-02-053 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the General Servicing Standards Policy Admin-61 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:45 a.m. & reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

2019-02-054 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that administration be directed to bring back cost options to re-write the General Servicing Standards Policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC WORKS:

***NLC CULVERT REPLACEMENT
COST SHARING REQUEST:***

2019-02-055 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the request from Northern Lakes College to cost share on the storm water culvert replacement project located under the parking lot at the Grouard Campus be received for information.

CARRIED

***PEACE COUNTRY BEEF
& FORAGE ASS:***

2019-02-056 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the funding request for the Peace Country Beef and Forage Association (PCBFA) be tabled until after PCBFA has presented to Council.

CARRIED

***MD OF SMOKY RIVER
BF 71663 REPLACEMENT:***

2019-02-057 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that a letter of support be provided to the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 for replacement or rehabilitation of bridge structure BF 71663.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATION:***HIGH PRAIRIE & DISTRICT******GOLF CLUB:***

Dave Temple, Larry Greer and Dillon Barron presented council with a request for a multi-year financial commitment.

2019-02-058

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BISSELL that administration be directed to bring back an RFD to the next council meeting for further discussion on the High Prairie & District Golf Club's request for a multi-year funding commitment.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**COMMUNITY SERVICES:*****RESCUE REPLACEMENT IN 2019:***

2019-02-059

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH that \$295,000.00 be included in the 2019 budget for the purpose of a multi-purpose Rapid- Rescue Unit to replace the existing unit based in the Grouard Fire Hall with the funding coming from 3-23-10-00-920.

CARRIED***HIGH PRAIRIE FIRE******ENGINE REPLACEMENT:***

2019-02-060

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS that \$495,000.00 be included in the 2019 budget for the purpose of a Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Fire Engine to replace the existing Engine based in High Prairie with the funding coming from 3-23-10-00-920.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

2019-02-061

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS that the information/correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A break was taken at 2:16 p.m. to 2:22 p.m.

IN CAMERA:

2019-02-062

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS that the meeting go into camera at 2:22 p.m. to discuss legal matters as per section 27, Freedom of Information and Protection Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY***In Attendance – In Camera:****Big Lakes County Council**Jordan Panasiuk, Deputy CAO**Jessica Martinson, Executive Secretary**Pat Olansky, Director of Planning and Development**Heather Nanninga, Director of Corporate Services*

2019-02-063

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS that the meeting come out of camera at 2:33 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-02-064

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS that administration be directed to issue a response to Mr. Boisvert as per discussions.


CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

2019-02-065

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHWS that the meeting be adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


Richard Simard, Reeve
Jordan Panasiuk, CAO