

**BIG LAKES COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING
March 24, 2021**

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT WERE: Reeve: Ken Matthews, N. Gilwood/Triangle
Deputy Reeve: David Marx, Prairie Echo/Salt Prairie
Councillor: Ann Stewart, S. Sunset House/Gilwood
Donald Bissell, Enilda/Big Meadow
Donald Charrois, HP East/Banana Belt
Robert Nygaard, Faust
Fern Welch, Grouard

Absent: Ken Killeen, Kinuso
Richard Simard, Jousard

Administration: Jordan Panasiuk, CAO
Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development
Brett Hawken, Director of Community & Protective Service
Eunice McCauley, Human Resources Manager
Dave McReynolds, Interim Director of Corporate Services
Vic Abel, Director of Public Works
Jessica Plante, Recording Secretary

Delegation: Hon. Tyler Shandro, Minister of Health
Chad Hallman, Ministerial Assistant to the Minister of Health
MLA Dan Williams
Angela Cobick, Constituency Manager to MLA Dan Williams

Press: Richard Froese, South Peace News

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Matthews called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO
THE AGENDA:**

2021-06-082 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that the March 24, 2021 agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2021-06-083 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the March 10, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES:**

ACTION LIST:

2021-06-084 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION:

Councillor Welch arrived at the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

HORSE LAKES LETTER TO ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS:

2021-06-085 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that administration be directed to send a letter to Honourable Jason Nixon, Minister of Environment and Parks regarding Horse Lakes as presented.

CARRIED

REGULAR MEETINGS – ELECTRONIC MEANS:

2021-06-086 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that due to extenuating circumstances Council authorizes Councillors to attend the April 2021 to October 29, 2021 Regular meetings in person or by electronic means.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES:***CHEQUE LISTS:***

2021-06-087 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that cheques #88117 to #88207 in the amount of \$492,240.09 for the period ending March 10, 2021 be received for information.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:***ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 24-2019 UNDEVELOPED ROAD ALLOWANCE WITHIN RIVER LOTS 1, 2 & 3 LESSER SLAVE LAKE SETTLEMENT (LOT 1, BLOCK 1, PLAN 202____):***

2021-06-088 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that second reading be given to **RESCINDED** Bylaw #24-2019 for the closure of Undeveloped Road Allowance (Willow Point Road) within River Lots 1, 2 & 3 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (shown within the limits of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 2020____).

CARRIED

2021-06-089 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that third reading be given to Bylaw #24-2019 for the closure of Undeveloped Road Allowance (Willow Point Road) within River Lots 1, 2 & 3 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (shown within the limits of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 2020____).

CARRIED

ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 26-2019 UNDEVELOPED ROAD ALLOWANCE (WILLOW POINT ROAD) WITHIN RIVER LOTS 20 & 21 LESSER SLAVE LAKE SETTLEMENT (LOT 1, BLOCK 1, PLAN 202____):

2021-06-090 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that second reading be given to **RESCINDED** to Bylaw #26-2019 for the closure of Undeveloped Road Allowance (Willow Point Road) within Part of River Lots 20 & 21 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (shown within the limits of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 2020____).

CARRIED

2021-06-091 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that third reading be given to Bylaw #26-2019 for the closure of Undeveloped Road Allowance (Willow Point Road) within Part of River Lots 20 & 21 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (shown within the limits of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 2020____).

CARRIED

ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 27-2019 UNDEVELOPED ROAD ALLOWANCE (WILLOW POINT ROAD) AND PART OF ROAD PLAN 2225AG WITHIN PART OF RIVER LOTS 18,19,20 LESSER SLAVE LAKE SETTLEMENT (LOT 2, BLOCK 1, PLAN 202____):

2021-06-092 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that second reading be given to Bylaw #27-2019 for the closure of undeveloped road allowance (Willow Point Road) and Part of Road Plan 2225AG with in Part of River Lots 18, 19 & 20 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (Shown within the limits of Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 202____).

RESCINDED

CARRIED

2021-06-093 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that third reading be given to Bylaw #27-2019 for the closure of undeveloped road allowance (Willow Point Road) and Part of Road Plan 2225AG with in Part of River Lots 18, 19 & 20 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (Shown within the limits of Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 202____).

CARRIED

ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 28-2019 UNDEVELOPED ROAD ALLOWANCE (WILLOW POINT ROAD) WITHIN PART OF RIVER LOTS 20 & 21 LESSER SLAVE LAKE SETTLEMENT (LOT 1, BLOCK 1, PLAN 202____):

2021-06-094 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that second reading be given to Bylaw #28-2019 for the closure of all that portion of undeveloped Road Plan 2225AG within Part of Lots 20 & 21 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (shown within the limits of Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 202____).

RESCINDED

CARRIED

2021-06-095 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that third reading be given to Bylaw #28-2019 for the closure of all that portion of undeveloped Road Plan 2225AG within Part of Lots 20 & 21 Lesser Slave Lake Settlement (shown within the limits of Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 202____).

CARRIED

ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 29-2019 UNDEVELOPED ROAD PLAN 2225AG, ROAD PLAN 6010AV AND ROAD PLAN 4474AX (FIRST STREET, BADGER AVE., WASHINGTON AVE., MAIN STREET, AND DOMINION STREET AND LANE) WITHIN (LOT 4, BLOCK 1, PLAN 202____):

2021-06-096 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that second reading be given to Bylaw #29-2019 for the closure of undeveloped Road Plan 2225AG, Road Plan 6010AV, and Road Plan 447AX (First Street, Badger Avenue, Washington Avenue, Main Street, and Dominion Street, Lane within Block 29, and Lane within Block 30) all within the limits of Lot 4, Block 1, Plan 202____.

RESCINDED

CARRIED

2021-06-097 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that third reading be given to Bylaw #29-2019 for the closure of undeveloped Road Plan 2225AG, Road Plan 6010AV, and Road Plan 447AX (First Street, Badger Avenue, Washington Avenue, Main Street, and Dominion Street, Lane within Block 29, and Lane within Block 30) all within the limits of Lot 4, Block 1, Plan 202____.

CARRIED

COOPERATION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS:

2021-06-098 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the Cooperation Memorandum of Understanding between Big Lakes County and Alberta Environment and Parks be approved.

CARRIED

**COMMUNITY AND
PROTECTIVE SERVICES:**

2021 WEED AND PEST INSPECTOR APPOINTMENT:

2021-06-099 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the following individual(s) be appointed as Weed and Pest Inspector(s) under the Alberta Weed Control Act (RSA 2010) and the Alberta Agricultural Pests Act (RSA 2000) to conduct weed and pest inspections in Big Lakes County under the direction of the Agricultural Fieldman for the 2021 summer season.

- Kendra Kozdrocki
- Rhys MacIntosh
- Brandon McNabb
- Kathy Levesque
- Sarah Cairns

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

2021-06-100 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the information/correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

2021-06-101 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that administration be directed to send a letter to Minister Ric McIver, Municipal Affairs and copied to the Rural Municipalities of Alberta, MLA Dan William, and MLA Pat Rehn expressing the County's concerns regarding changes to the new Alberta Disaster Recovery Program guidelines.

CARRIED

A break was taken from 10:41 a.m. to 11: 07 a.m.

2021-06-102 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that the following motion be rescinded:

- 2021-06-088
- 2021-06-090
- 2021-06-092
- 2021-06-094

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

2021-06-103 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the meeting go into closed session at 11:10 a.m. to discuss personal matters and land matters as per section 27, Freedom of Information and Protection Act.

CARRIED

2021-06-104 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that the meeting come out of closed session at 11:28 a.m.

CARRIED

2021-06-105 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the Reeve be approved to send a letter to Chief Sydney Lee Halcrow in response to the Iyiniwok Consultation, Referral and Coordination Centre regarding their requirements to initiate consultation.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

MINISTER OF HEALTH:

Hon. Tyler Shandro, Minister of Health, Chad Hallman, Ministerial Assistant to the Minister of Health, MLA Dan Williams, and Angela Cobick, Constituency Manager to MLA Dan Williams attend the Council meeting to discuss health concerns within the County.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:30 p.m. and reconvened at 12:41 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

2021-06-106

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD that the meeting be adjourned at 12:49 a.m.

CARRIED

Ken Matthews, Reeve

Jordan Panasiuk, CAO