

BIG LAKES COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

May 8, 2019

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Administration: Jordan Panasiuk, CAO
Heather Nanninga, Director of Corporate Services
Jessica Martinson, Recording Secretary
Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development
Vic Abel, Director of Public Works
Victoria Zahacy, Communications Coordinator
Brett Hawken, Municipal Intern
Ted Hickey, Director of Community & Protective Services
Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Fieldman

Press: Richard Froese, South Peace News

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

2019-09-252 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARX** that the May 8, 2019 agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES:

2019-09-253 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the April 24, 2019 Regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

ACTION LIST:

2019-09-254 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS:

2019-09-255 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the following staff reports be received for information:

- Director of Corporate Services
- Director of Planning & Development
- Director of Public Works
- Director of Community & Protective Services

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-09-256 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that administration be directed to contact industry hauling out of the Banana Belt area to see if they would consider applying dust control on Range Roads 164/165 and Township Road 714.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-09-257 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the 2019 dust control applicants who have property bordered by two roads may apply for the additional 150 m of dust control at the subsidized rate for the second road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A break was taken from 10:53 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

CHEQUE LISTS:

2019-09-258 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that cheques #81650 to #81766 in the amount of \$1,154,087.62 for the period ending April 24, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SWAN HILL'S SCHOOL - SPONSORSHIP:

2019-09-259 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that administration be directed to forgo support of the Swan Hills School's 2019 Sponsorship request and to recommend they complete a highway clean up.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC TIME:

B. TINDALL: Bob Tindall presented to council with some concerns regarding approaches and culverts and asked for an updated status on the Banana Belt Connector Road.

Councillor Charrois stepped out of the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

D. NICHOLS: Duane Nichols presented council with some information regarding the wolf bounty.

The meeting recessed for lunch break at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 12:59 p.m.

Councillor Welch did not return to the meeting.

**PLANNING &
DEVELOPMENT:**

BYLAW NO. 09-2019:

2019-09-260 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that Bylaw No. 09-2019 to adopt the Big Lakes County/Town of High Prairie Intermunicipal Development Plan be given first reading.

CARRIED

2019-09-261 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that administration and the IDP committee be directed to revisit the boundaries for the Big Lakes County/Town of High Prairie Intermunicipal Development Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-09-262 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that a public hearing for Bylaw No. 09-2019 to adopt the Big Lakes County/Town of High Prairie Intermunicipal Development Plan be set for June 12, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Big Lakes County Administration Building.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-09-263 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that notice of the Public Hearing No. 09-2019 to adopt the Big Lakes County/Town of High Prairie Intermunicipal Development Plan be placed in the South Peace News.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COMMUNITY
SERVICES:**

2019-09-264 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that Council appoints the following individual(s) as Weed and Pest Inspector(s) under the Alberta Weed Control Act (RSA 2010) the Alberta Agriculture Pests Act (RSA 2000) to conduct weed and pest inspections in Big Lakes County under the direction of the Agricultural Feldman for the 2019 summer season.

- Ms. Kathy Levesque
- Ms. Kate Lovsin
- Ms. Eva King
- Mr. Brandon McNabb
- Ms. Lacey Goetz

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

2019-09-265 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the information/correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED SESSION:

2019-09-266 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARX** that the meeting go into closed session at 1:32 p.m. to discuss land negotiations as per section 27, Freedom of Information and Protection Act and in accordance with section 197 (2) of the Municipal Government Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In Attendance – Closed Session:

*Richard Simard, Reeve
Ken Matthews, Deputy Reeve
Donald Charrois, Councillor
David Marx, Councillor
Ann Stewart, Councillor
Robert Nygaard, Councillor
Ken Killeen, Councillor
Donald Bissell, Councillor*

The following staff were in attendance to provide information and/or administrative support:

*Jordan Panasiuk, CAO
Jessica Martinson, Executive Assistant
Vic Abel, Director of Public Works*

2019-09-267 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the meeting come out of closed session at 2:01 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019-09-268 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that administration negotiate a land exchange with Don Mackenzie for land to improve the intersection at Highway 749 and Township Road 740 in exchange for a portion of the undeveloped road allowance adjacent to the west boundary of PT SW 1-74-17-W5, subject to Alberta Transportation approval of the road closure and sale.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

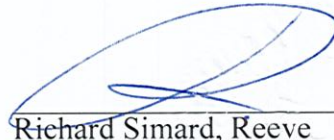
2019-09-269 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that administration proceed with the road closure and sale process for a portion of undeveloped road allowance adjacent to the west boundary of Pt. SW 1-74-17-W5 if an agreement can be made for a land exchange with the landowner of PW SW-74-17-W5.

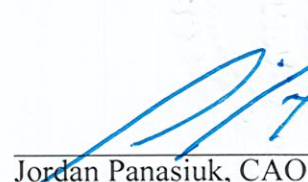
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

2019-09-270 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the meeting be adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


Richard Simard, Reeve


Jordan Panasiuk, CAO