

**BIG LAKES COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING**

August 28, 2019

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Absent: Donald Bissell, Enilda/Big Meadow
Robert Nygaard, Faust

Administration: Jordan Panasiuk, CAO
Vic Abel, Director of Public Works
Dave McReynolds, Director of Corporate Services
Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development
Zachary Thompson, Sustainability Officer
Brett Hawken, Municipal Intern
Victoria Zahacy, Recording Secretary

Delegations: Terrapin
SUEZ

Press: Richard Froese, South Peace News

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Simard called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO
THE AGENDA:**

2019-16-458 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARX** that the August 28, 2019 agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2019-16-459 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that the August 14, 2019 Regular Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES:**

ACTION LIST:

2019-16-460 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION:

KINUSO HARBOUR:

2019-16-461 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that Big Lakes County agrees to purchase and assume ownership of the Kinuso Harbor on an "as is" basis for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00).

CARRIED

2019-16-462 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that Big Lakes County guarantees that the Kinuso harbor will be safe and assessable to the public for a minimum of five years.

CARRIED

CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS:

2019-16-463 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARX** that Council approves to close the Big Lakes County offices for the 2 to 3 days we are open between Christmas and New Year's.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES:

CHEQUE LIST:

2019-16-464 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that cheques #82698 to #82868 in the amount of \$3,448,340.67 for the period ending August 14, 2019 be received for information.

CARRIED

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS:

2019-16-465 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the Statement of Operations for the seven months ended July 31, 2019 be accepted for information.

CARRIED

GRANDE PRAIRIE MASTER PIRATES FASTBALL- SPONSORSHIP:

2019-16-466 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that Council forgoes the Grande Prairie Master Pirates Fastball Team's sponsorship request for Softball Canada's Canadian Championship Men's and Master Men's Tournament.

CARRIED

TOWN OF HIGH PRAIRIE 2019 CAPITAL BUDGET:

2019-16-467 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that the Town of High Prairie's Capital Budget project list for 2019 be approved.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS:

TERRAPIN: Sean Collins, Gray Alton, and Jesse Presekarchu with Terrapin presented council with an overview of the geothermal industry and the work that they've done with geothermal mapping.

A break was taken from 11:21 a.m. to 11:33 a.m.

TAX RECOVERY – SALE OF LAND/PROPERTIES BY PUBLIC AUCTION:

2019-16-468 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the sale of land by public auction for properties under tax arrears be set for October 1, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Ad in Queens Printer	Not less than 40 days	Not more than 90 days	Date of Auction
August 15	September 23	November 12	October 1

CARRIED

2019-16-469 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS** that the reserve bid for the properties being sold by public auction be set as follows:

Roll Number	Zoning	Legal	Civic	Outstanding Taxes	Reserve Bid
188783	Hamlet Residential	Lot 30; Blk 2; Plan 7722085	3 – 3rd Street NE, Grouard	\$3,330.90	\$90,000
047683	Hamlet Residential	Lot 5; Blk 5; Plan 9623605	7 Railway Avenue, Enilda	\$2,231.84	\$28,000

CARRIED

PUBLIC TIME:

PETER & CAROLYN

CARRIER:

Peter and Carolyn Carrier presented council with a request for a land use bylaw amendment in order to be able to place a shed on their property in the Hamlet of Joussard.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:54 a.m. and reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

PARTNERS FOR CLIMATE CHANGE MILESTONE 2 SET AN EMISSIONS REDUCTION TARGET:

2019-16-470

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH that as members of the PCP program and in order to achieve milestone 2 of the PCP program, Big Lakes County resolves to set an emissions reduction target for county operations of 25% below the 2018 GHG emissions inventory level by 2028.

CARRIED

DELEGATION CON'T:

SUEZ:

Cameron Prichard and Kevin Listhaeghe with SUEZ presented council with an update on the Swan Hills Treatment Centre and invited council to attend their open house on September 17, 2019.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

SEA CANS ON PLAN 062 6021, BLOCK 4, LOT 6B, HAMLET OF JOUSSARD (DAVE & BRENDA WHILLANS):

2019-16-471

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART that administration be directed to send a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Whillans requesting that a development permit application and a variance request, with the appropriate fees, be submitted to the development authority for the two 40' sea cans and shed on Plan 062 6021, Block 4, Lot 6B in the Hamlet of Joussard.

CARRIED

A break was taken from 1:42 p.m. to 1:51 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS:

CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT – HAMLET PAVING:

2019-16-472

MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MATTHEWS that the Capital Budget be amended to transfer \$154,995.00 from the Enilda Hamlet paving project to the Grouard Hamlet paving project and replace it with Grouard budget in 2020 and possibly 2021.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

ENHANCED POLICING:

2019-16-473 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that administration be directed to enter into an agreement for two full time Enhanced RCMP officers with a focus on Drug Enforcement for the term September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2022.

CARRIED

INFORMATION/ CORRESPONDENCE:

2019-16-474 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the information and correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

2019-16-475 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MARX** that the meeting be adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

CARRIED

Richard Simard, Reeve

Jordan Panasiuk, CAO