

**BIG LAKES COUNTY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
April 26, 2016**

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Special Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Tuesday, April 26, 2016.

**PRESENT WERE:**

Reeve: Ken Matthews, Gilwood North/Triangle  
Deputy Reeve: David Marx, Prairie Echo/Salt Prairie  
Councillor: Donald Charrois, HP East/Banana Belt  
Ken Killeen, Kinuso  
Ron Matula, Enilda/ Big Meadow  
Robert Nygaard, Faust  
Edward Podollan, Joussard  
Ann Stewart, S. Sunset House/Gilwood South

Absent: Frank Sutherland, Grouard

Administration: William (Bill) Kostiw, CAO  
Jessica Martinson, Recording Secretary  
Bill Landiuk, Exec. Director of Corporate Services  
Ted Laszczak, Director of Utilities & Safety  
Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development  
Ian Willier, Utility Water Forman  
Andrew Austin, GIS Technician  
Suzanne Allan, Director of Community Services  
Ashley Cairns, Summer Student

Press: Richard Froese, South Peace News

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**2016-14-305**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that agenda for the April 26, 2016 Special Council Meeting for the purpose of discussing the 2016 Operating & Capital Budget and the 2016 Tax Bylaw be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*****2016 OPERATING &  
CAPITAL  
BUDGET:***

Mr. Landiuk presented Council with the Community Grants, Capital Project Grant Requests and Requests to carryover.

Council had some questions regarding the Faust Community League and the Golden Triangle membership. Ms. Allan advised that the membership fees for the Golden Triangle are in the capital budget.

Mr. Landiuk present Council with the 2016 operating & capital budget.

Mr. Landiuk indicated that the County Tax Revenue is based on the same tax rate as 2015. No change to current service levels other than the addition of the High Prairie Airport operations. Capital projects are being funded from a combination of grants and reserves.

A break was taken from 10:59 a.m. to 11:14 a.m.

**2016-14-306**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the 2016 operating and capital budget be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*****TAX BYLAW  
04-2016:***

Mr. Landiuk presented Council with the Tax Bylaw 04-2016. Mr. Landiuk advised Council that all figures have remained the same from last year. Council considered increasing the Residential & Farmland millrate.

**2016-14-307**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that first reading be approved for the 2016 Tax Bylaw 04-2016.

**CARRIED**

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:58 a.m. and reconvened at 12:44 p.m.

**2016-14-308**      **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that second reading be approved for the 2016 Tax Bylaw 04-2016.

**CARRIED**

**2016-14-309**      **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that unanimous consent be approved to proceed to third reading for the 2016 Tax Bylaw 04-2016.

**DEFEATED**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**2016-14-310**      **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KILLEEN** that the meeting adjourn at 12:51 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Ken Matthews, Reeve

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William (Bill) Kostiw, C.A.O.