

**BIG LAKES COUNTY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
December 13, 2016**

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Special Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

**PRESENT WERE:**

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

Absent: Ken Killeen, Kinuso

Administration: Roy Brideau, CAO  
Jessica Martinson, Recording Secretary  
Suzanne Allan, Director of Community Services  
Jordan Panasiuk, Director of Community Services

Delegation: Lisa Baroldi, Progress Unlimited Inc.  
Mustafa Sahin, Progress Unlimited Inc.

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

**2016-34-912**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SUTHERLAND** that the Waiver of Notice of Meeting and Business Conducted be approved and signed for matters specifically related to economic development, council priorities, regional water system and personnel.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2016-34-913**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the agenda for the December 13, 2016 Special Council Meeting for the purpose of discussing economic development, council priorities, regional water system and personnel be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

***ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT:***

Lisa Baroldi and Mustafa Sahin with Progress Unlimited Inc. presented council with a presentation on the Economic Development Authority. Ms. Baroldi provided an overview of the activities that have been taking place over the past year, what work has been completed and future steps. Council was also presented with an intro marketing video, and photos.

A break was taken from 11:02 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Ms. Baroldi presented the 2017 recommendation to continue to move forward with the Economic Development Authority.

Deputy Reeve Marx stepped out of the meeting at 12:06 p.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Reeve Matthews thanked Ms. Baroldi and Mr. Sahin for their presentation.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:16 p.m. and reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

***COUNCIL  
PRIORITIES:***

Council reviewed their priorities for the upcoming 2017 year and provided administration with a list of items they wish to receive an update on.

**REGIONAL WATER  
SYSTEM:**

Mr. Brideau read aloud a letter from Councillor Nygaard regarding the Regional Water System. Discussion was held on partnerships and obtaining grants funding.

A break was taken from 2:19 a.m. to 2:33 p.m.

**IN CAMERA:**

**2016-34-914**

**MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** to go into camera at 2:34 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2016-34-915**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATULA** to come out of camera at 3:20 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**2016-34-916**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MATULA** that the meeting adjourn at 3:24 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Ken Matthews, Reeve

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Roy Brideau, C.A.O.