

**BIG LAKES COUNTY  
COUNCIL MEETING**  
August 25, 2021

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Administration: Jordan Panasiuk, CAO  
Brett Hawken, Director of Community &  
Protective Service  
Bronte Collett, Communications Coordinator  
(Zoom)  
Eunice McCauley, Human Resources Manager  
(Zoom)  
Jessica Plante, Recording Secretary  
Mo Choudhary, Director of Corporate Services  
Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development  
Vic Abel, Director of Public Works

Press: Richard Froese, South Peace News

**CALL TO ORDER:** Reeve Matthews called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO  
THE AGENDA:**

**2021-17-310** **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that the August 25, 2021 agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES:**

**2021-17-311** **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that the August 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING  
FROM MINUTES:**

***ACTION LIST:***

**2021-17-312** **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the action list be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**ADMINISTRATION:*****ALBERTA NORTH CENTRAL ALLIANCE GOVERNANCE PROTOCOLS:***

**2021-17-313**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the Alberta North Central Alliance Governance Protocols be endorsed as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2021-17-314**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that Reeve Matthews be appointed as member and Deputy Reeve Marx be appointed as the alternate to the Alberta North Central Alliance for the term ending October 26, 2021.

**CARRIED**

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

**2021-17-315**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BISSELL** that cheques #89129 to #89263 in the amount of \$619,676.05 for the period ending August 11, 2021 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

***MUNICIPAL DEBENTURE BYLAW 16-2021:***

**2021-17-316**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that first reading be provided to the Municipal Debenture Bylaw 16-2021.

**CARRIED**

A break was taken from 10:52 a.m. to 11:12 a.m.

Councillor Simard left the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

**PUBLIC WORKS:*****VIOLA GOERTZEN, WATER LEAK HAMLET OF KINUSO:***

**2021-17-317**            **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that the sewer charges from the July – August billing in the amount of \$234.98 be forgiven due to a water leak on the property of Viola Goertzen in the Hamlet of Kinuso.

**CARRIED**

***SPEED LIMIT BYLAW AMENDMENT NO. 15-2021 – HAMLET OF ENILDA AND GROUARD:***

**2021-17-318**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BISSELL** that discussion regarding the Speed Limit Bylaw 05-2011 be tabled for further information regarding Township Road 742A.

**DEFEATED**

**2021-17-319**            **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE MARX** that first reading be given to Bylaw Amendment 15-2021 to amend the Speed Limit Bylaw 05-2011.

**CARRIED**

**2021-17-320**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that a Public Hearing for Bylaw Amendment 15-2021 be scheduled for September 22, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m. in the Big Lakes County Council Chambers.

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNITY AND  
PROTECTIVE SERVICES:**

***BUSINESS REFURBISHMENT PROGRAM POLICY:***

**2021-17-321**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR NYGAARD** that Council supports the Business Refurbishment Program Policy starting January 1, 2022.

**CARRIED**

***NORTHERN LIGHTS WIND POWER PROJECT BRIEFING NOTE:***

**2021-17-322**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the Northern Lights Wind Power project-potential renewables be approved in the briefing document.

**CARRIED**

**INFORMATION/  
CORRESPONDENCE:**

**2021-17-323**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WELCH** that the information/correspondence be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC TIME:**        Kevin Meunier with KMW Industries attended Council to discuss the FireSmart program and advised of grant opportunities.

The meeting recessed for lunch break at 11:52 a.m. and reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**2021-17-324**            **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHARROIS** that the meeting be adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Ken Matthews, Reeve

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Jordan Panasiuk, CAO