

**BIG LAKES COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING
October 12, 2022**

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT WERE:

Deputy Reeve:	Jim Zabolotniuk, N. Gilwood/ Triangle
Councillor:	Jeff Chalifoux, Grouard
	Roberta Hunt, Kinuso (Zoom)
	Richard Mifflin, Jousard
	Lane Monteith, Enilda/ Big Meadow
	Ann Stewart, S. Sunset House/ Gilwood
	Garrett Zahacy, Prairie Echo/ Salt Prairie
Absent:	Tyler Airth, HP East/ Banana Belt
	Robert Nygaard, Faust
Administration:	Jordan Panasiuk, CAO
	Roy Brideau, Interim CAO
	Brett Hawken, Director of Community & Protective Services
	Jessica Plante, Recording Secretary
	David Reynolds, Director of Corporate Services
	Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development
	Vic Abel, Director of Public Works
	Eunice McCauley, Human Resources Manager (Zoom)
Delegations:	Arnold Viersen, MP
	William Strydhorst, Constituency Office Manager
	Naal Sharkawi, High Prairie Children's Resource Council
	Barry Sharkawi, High Prairie Children's Resource Council
Press:	Richard Froese, South Peace News

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Delegation - Arnold Viersen, MP – 10:15 a.m.
2023 Purchase of Land
Delegation - High Prairie Red Wings – Cancelled
High Prairie & Swan Hills Capital Grant moved to Closed Session
Personnel Matters in Closed Session
Financial Control and Procurement Policy be tabled until October 26, 2022, Regular Council meeting.

2022-22-470 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the October 12, 2022, agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2022-22-471 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the September 26, 2022, Special Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2022-22-472 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ZAHACY** that the September 28, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

A. VIERSSEN: Arnold Viersen, MP and William Strydhorst, Constituency Office Manager attended before Council to provide an update on events happening in Ottawa.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

ACTION LIST:

2022-22-473 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED

DELEGATION CON'T:

CHILDREN'S RESOURCE

COUNCIL: Naal Sharkawi, CAO/ Executive Director and Barry Sharkawi, Vice Chairman with Children's Resource Council presented Council with an introduction of the CRC and provided an overview of their mission, goals and programs they offer.

STAFF REPORTS:

2022-22-474 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** 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

ADMINISTRATION:

2022 BIG LAKES CHARITY GOLF FUNDING ALLOCATIONS:

2022-22-475 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation receive \$13,367.38, High Prairie & District Food Bank receive \$6,683.69, and the High Prairie Victim Services receive \$6,683.69 from the 2022 Big Lakes Charity Golf Funding Allocations.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for lunch break at 11:57 a.m. and reconvened at 12:33 p.m.

Councillor Hunt did not return to the meeting.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

LETTER OF SUPPORT – GROUARD SENIORS COMMUNITY CLUB – NEW HORIZONS FOR SENIORS PROGRAM:

2022-22-476 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that a letter of support be approved for the Grouard Seniors Community Club's application to the New Horizons for Seniors Program.

CARRIED

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – 2023 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET DELIBERATION DATES:

2022-22-477 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that Special Council meetings be scheduled for Monday, December 5, 2022 and Tuesday, December 6, 2022 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the County Administration Building for the purpose of adopting the 2023 Interim Operating and Capital Budgets subject to all Councillors members being in attendance.

CARRIED

PUBLIC WORKS:

HIGHWAY 749 NORTH ROAD REHABILITATION BRIEFING NOTE:

2022-22-478 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ZAHACY** that the briefing note for road rehabilitation of Highway 749 north of High Prairie be approved.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES:

HAMLET UPGRADE PROJECTS – KINUSO:

2022-22-479 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that \$150,000 be allocated for Kinsuo's 2022 Hamlet Upgrade Program dollars to go towards the park project located at Plan 1123432, Blk 11, Lot 4 & Plan 6974KS, Blk 11, Lot R to be constructed in 2023.

CARRIED

2022-22-480 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that \$50,000 be allocated from Kinuso's 2022 Hamlet Upgrade Program dollars to go towards the Basketball court project located at Plan 4932CD, Blk 3, Lot 10-13 to be constructed in 2023.

CARRIED

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER PAID ON CALL PROPOSAL:

2022-22-481 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the discussion on the paid-on call system for volunteer firefighters be tabled until the October 26, 2022, Regular Council Meeting.

DEFEATED

2022-22-482 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that the paid-on call system for volunteer firefighters be approved at a rate of \$15.55 for the 2023 budget to replace the current society honorarium system.

DEFEATED

PUBLIC HEARING:

LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 19-2022 – SECOND READING:

2022-22-483 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the public hearing for Bylaw 19-2022 be called to order at 1:02 p.m.

CARRIED

2022-22-484 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ZAHACY** that the public hearing for Bylaw 19-2022 be closed at 1:07 p.m.

CARRIED

2022-22-485 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that second reading be given to Bylaw 19-2022.

CARRIED

2022-22-486 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that third reading be given to Bylaw 19-2022.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

2022-22-487 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the information/ correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

2022-22-488 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that the meeting go into closed session at 1:11 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and negotiation matters as per section 27, Freedom of Information and Protection Act.

CARRIED

2022-22-489 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the meeting come out of closed session at 3:03 p.m.

CARRIED

2022-22-490 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the budgeted funding in 2022 be approved and that the capital funding agreements be considered for negotiations for 2023 forward.

CARRIED

2022-22-491 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that Council appoints Patricia Olansky, Director of Planning and Development, as approved to bid on the property auction, being held on October 13, 2022, for Lot 447AX 30 19 NE 19-75-14-5, on behalf of Big Lakes County.

CARRIED

2022-22-492 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that Council accepts the Smoky Hemp Decortication – Share Offering Documents for information.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

2022-22-493 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the meeting be adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

CARRIED

Jim Zabolotniuk, Deputy Reeve

Roy Brideau, Interim CAO

PUBLIC HEARING
Bylaw 19-2022
October 12, 2022

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Public Hearing for Bylaw 19-2022 held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, commencing at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT WERE:

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CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Reeve Zabolotniuk called the public hearing to order at 1:02 p.m.

The Municipal Planning Commission passed the following motion at its July 27, 2022, meeting:

MPC-2022-07-077 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH that the Municipal Planning Commission recommends that a Land Use Bylaw amendment be brought forward to Council to move cabin as a discretionary use to a permitted use under the Agriculture District.

Bylaw No. 19-2022 was presented to Council at their regular meeting of September 14, 2022 and amended to allow the first cabin on parcels in the Agriculture District as a permitted use and all additional cabins as discretionary use. A public hearing has been scheduled for 1:00 pm on October 12, 2022.

The bylaw as amended was given first reading by Council on September 14, 2022.

The Municipal Planning Commission reviewed the application at its September 28, 2022, meeting and had no comments to provide to Council for the Public Hearing.

Notice of the public hearing were posted to the county website, county social media sites, and bulletin boards of the County administration office.

Deputy Reeve Zabolotniuk asked if any submissions had been submitted opposed or in favor. No submissions have been received.

Deputy Reeve Zabolotniuk called for comments from the public. No one was in attendance.

The public hearing was closed at 1:07 p.m.

Jim Zabolotniuk, Deputy Reeve

Roy Brideau, Interim CAO