

**BIG LAKES COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING**
April 27, 2022

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT WERE:

Reeve:	Robert Nygaard, Faust
Deputy Reeve:	Jim Zabolotniuk, N. Gilwood/ Triangle
Councillor:	Tyler Airth, HP East/ Banana Belt (Zoom)
	Jeff Chalifoux, Grouard
	Roberta Hunt, Kinuso
	Richard Mifflin, Jousard
	Lane Monteith, Enilda/ Big Meadow
	Ann Stewart, S. Sunset House/ Gilwood
	Garrett Zahacy, Prairie Echo/ Salt Prairie
Administration:	Jordan Panasiuk, CAO (Zoom)
	Vic Abel, Director of Public Works
	Brett Hawken, Director of Community & Protective Services
	Dave McReynolds, Interim Director of Corporate Services (Zoom)
	Eunice McCauley, Human Resources Manager
	Jessica Plante, Recording Secretary
	Bronte Collett, Recording Secretary
	Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development
Delegation:	Lindsay Pratt, Heart River Housing
Press:	Richard Froese, South Peace News

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Signing Authority Appointment

2022-09-173 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the April 27, 2022, agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2022-09-174 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that the April 13, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

ACTION LIST:

2022-09-175 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION:***BYLAW #11-2022 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:***

2022-09-176 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that the Committee of the Whole Bylaw #11-2022 be approved for first reading.

CARRIED

2022-09-177 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ZAHACY** that the Committee of the Whole Bylaw #11-2022 be approved for second reading.

CARRIED

2022-09-178 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that council unanimously agrees to proceed to third and final reading for the Committee of the Whole Bylaw #11-2022.

CARRIED

2022-09-179 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that the Committee of the Whole Bylaw #11-2022 be approved for third reading.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:***HEART RIVER
HOUSING:***

Lindsay Pratt, with Heart River Housing presented Council with an update on what Heart River Housing does in the region and provided an update on project they are working on and challenges they are facing.

ADMINISTRATION CON'T:***SERVICE DELIVERY FRAMEWORK PARTNERSHIP:***

2022-09-180 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE ZABOLOTNIUK** that Council writes a letter of support for grant funding from the Alberta Community Partnership under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component for the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130, Big Lakes County, and the MD of Greenview partnership for a water service delivery framework report.

CARRIED

SIGNING AUTHORITY:

2022-09-181 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that Pat Olansky, Director of Planning & Development be authorized to be a signing authority for Big Lakes County on a temporary basis until a Director of Corporate Services is hired.

CARRIED

A break was taken from 11:28 a.m. to 11:36 a.m.

CORPORATE SERVICES:***KINUSO ADMINISTRATION OFFICE:***

2022-09-182 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE ZABOLOTNIUK** that administration be directed to negotiate with Spruce Point Park to arrange an agreement to keep the Big Lakes County Administration Office open in Kinuso.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for lunch break at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 12:34 p.m.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:***MULTI-WELL BATTERY RANGE ROAD 161A, LSD 2 SE 2-78-16-W5:***

2022-09-183 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ZABOLOTNIUK** that the report regarding the multi-well battery on Range Road 161A, LSD 2 SE 2-78-16-W5 be received for information.

CARRIED

LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 08-2022 – SECOND READING:

2022-09-184 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that second reading be provided to Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 08-2022.

CARRIED

2022-09-185 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that third reading be provided to Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 08-2022.

CARRIED

LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT #10-2022:

2022-09-186 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that first reading be given to Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw #10-2022.

CARRIED

2022-09-187 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that a Public Hearing for Bylaw 10-2022 be set for May 25, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Big Lakes County Administration Building.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA BOARD:

Reeve Nygaard declares pecuniary interest and left the meeting at 12:54 p.m.

2022-09-188 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that Council approves Reeve Robert Nygaard's nomination to the Community Planning Association of the Alberta Board of Directors.

CARRIED

Reeve Nygaard returned to the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

COMMUNITY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES:***2022/2023 POLICING PRIORITIES:***

2022-09-189 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH** that the following top three (3) policing priorities for the 2022/2023 year be approved:

1. Crime prevention and habitual offender management specific to property crime, rural crime, response time and persons crime.
2. Drug Reduction (Education and Enforcement)
3. Rural police visibility

CARRIED

Ann Stewart recommended that the RCMP Staff Sergeant come to Council.

ALBERTA-NWT COMMAND ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION MILITARY SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK- SPONSORSHIP:

2022-09-190 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that a sponsorship be approved for the Royal Canadian Legion by purchasing a full color ¼ page ad space in the 2023 Military service Recognition Book in the amount of \$625.

CARRIED

2022-09-191 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH** that administration bring the grants policy to Council for review.

CARRIED

2022-09-192 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that our Capital and Procurement policy come back to our Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

2022-09-193 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that administration bring one policy or bylaw to every Council meeting for Council to review.

CARRIED

2022 WEED AND PEST INSPECTOR APPOINTMENT:

2022-09-194 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that Council appoints the following individual(s) under the Alberta Weed Control Act (RSA 2010) and the Alberta Agricultural Pests Act (RSA 2000) to conduct weed and pest inspections in Big Lakes County under the direction of the Agricultural Fieldman or designate for the 2022 summer season:

- Rhys MacIntosh
- Brandon McNabb
- Riley Prevost
- Amara Drefs

CARRIED

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH LESSER SLAVE WATERSHED COUNCIL REGARDING BIG LAKES COUNTY 2022/2023 WRRP GRANT:

2022-09-195 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that Council enters into a memorandum of understanding with Lesser Slave Watershed Council for the purposes of delivering Big Lakes County's 2022/2023 Watershed Resiliency and Restoration Program Grant.

CARRIED

CENTRAL SLAVE LAKE AG SOCIETY – REQUEST:

2022-09-196 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE ZABOLOTNIUK** that Council approves the Central Slave Lake Ag Society's request to receive funds on their behalf should they be approved for the FCC Agri Spirit grant funding stream.

CARRIED

HIGH PRAIRIE & DISTRICT MUSEUM & HIGH PRAIRIE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY – LETTER OF SUPPORT:

2022-09-197 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that a letter of support be approved to the High Prairie & District Museum and High Prairie Municipal Library in support of their Alberta Culture Days grant application.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

2022-09-198 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH** that the information/
correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

A break was taken from 1:52 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

2021-09-199 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that the meeting go into closed
session at 2:00 p.m. to discuss personal matters as per section 27, Freedom
of Information and Protection Act.

CARRIED

2021-09-200 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that the meeting come out of
closed session at 2:19 p.m.

CARRIED

2021-09-201 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that Council receives the
Assistant Ag Fieldman personnel and scenario for information.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

2022-09-202 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the meeting be
adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

CARRIED

Robert Nygaard, Reeve

Jordan Panasiuk, CAO