

**BIG LAKES COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING**
June 8, 2022

Minutes of the Big Lakes County Regular Council Meeting held at the County Administration Building in High Prairie, Alberta on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT WERE:

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| Reeve: | Robert Nygaard, Faust |
| Deputy Reeve: | Jim Zabolotniuk, N. Gilwood/ Triangle |
| Councillor: | Tyler Airth, HP East/ Banana Belt |
| | Jeff Chalifoux, Grouard |
| | Roberta Hunt, Kinuso |
| | Richard Mifflin, Joussard |
| | Lane Monteith, Enilda/ Big Meadow |
| | Ann Stewart, S. Sunset House/ Gilwood |
| | Garrett Zahacy, Prairie Echo/ Salt Prairie |
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| Administration: | Jordan Panasiuk, CAO |
| | Brett Hawken, Director of Community & Protective Services (Zoom) |
| | Jessica Plante, Recording Secretary |
| | Eunice McCauley, Human Resource Manager |
| | David Reynolds, Director of Corporate Services |
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| Delegation: | Shaun Duregon, Snipe Lake RV Resort |
| | Deanna Basarab, Alberta Labour |
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| Press: | Richard Froese, South Peace News |

CALL TO ORDER: Reeve Nygaard called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

**ADDITIONS TO
THE AGENDA:**

Library Board – 3 Year Appointment
2022 Wall of Fame Award
Appointment of Agricultural Fieldman

2022-12-254 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH** that the June 8, 2022, agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

2022-12-255 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that May 25, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES:**

ACTION LIST:

2022-12-256 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH** that the action list be received for information.

CARRIED

Administration presented the Director of Corporate Services and Director of Planning and Development staff reports.

DELEGATION:***SNIPE LAKE RV
RESORT:***

Shaun Duregon with the Snipe Lake RV Resort presented Council with an introduction to the Snipe Lake RV Resort and provided information on the vision he is working to achieve.

A break was taken from 10:47 a.m. to 11:04 a.m.

STAFF REPORTS:

2022-12-257 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that administration be directed to bring forward the Fire Prevention Program for Council's review.

CARRIED

2022-12-258 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** 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

Councillor Airth stepped out of the meeting at 11:32 a.m. and returned at 11:35 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION:***POLICY REVIEW- FIRE 01 – FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE
POLICY:***

2022-12-259 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the Policy revisions to the Fire-01 Fire Hydrant Inspection and Maintenance Policy be approved as presented and that administration be directed to change the policy to a Public Works Policy PW-24 Fire Hydrant Inspection & Maintenance Policy.

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES:***CREDIT CARD ACCEPTANCE FOR COUNTY SERVICES:***

2022-12-260 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE ZABOLOTNIUK** that Council keeps status quo and makes no adjustments to the types of payments accepted for County Services.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed for lunch break at 11:56 a.m. and reconvened at 12:33 p.m.

RURAL RENEWAL STREAM APPLICATION:

2022-12-261 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that Council approves submitting an application for the Rural Renewal Stream to become a designated community.

CARRIED

KINUSO ADMINISTRATION OFFICE:

2022-12-262 **MOVED BY DEPUTY REEVE ZABOLOTNIUK** that Council agrees to close the Kinuso Administration Office.

DEFEATED

2022-12-263 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that Council agrees to provide administrative services at 3 days per week and fill the current vacancy for the Kinuso Administration.

CARRIED

2022-12-264 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that administration be directed to provide Council with a copy of the Staff Agreement.

CARRIED

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS – APRIL 2022:

Councillor Airth stepped out of the meeting at 1:20 p.m. and returned at 1:24 p.m.

2022-12-265 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the Statement of Operations – April 2022 be received for information.

CARRIED

LIBRARY BOARD – 3 YEAR APPOINTMENT:

2022-12-266 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that motion 2019-19-550 be rescinded and that Lorrie Shelp and Margaret Willier be appointed to the Big Lakes County Library Board for a 3 year term from October 2019-October 2022.

CARRIED

PUBLIC WORKS:

CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT – SKID STEER LOADERS:

2022-12-267 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that a budget amendment in the amount of \$4,406.96 be approved for two new Skid Steer Loaders from the Equipment Replacement Reserve.

CARRIED

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

2022 WALL OF FAME AWARD:

2022-12-268 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that Donald Bissell and Charlene Hunt be approved to receive the 2022 Wall of Fame Award.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES:

DOCTOR HOUSING SUBSIDY PROGRAM – BUDGET OVERAGE:

2022-12-269 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that a budget overage be authorized for the Doctor Housing Subsidy Program for 2022.

CARRIED

DOCTOR HOUSING SUBSIDY PROGRAM – CHANGE TO ICF WITH TOWN OF HIGH PRAIRIE:

2022-12-270 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the establishment and terms of reference of a joint Health Professional Attraction and Retention Committee with Big Lakes County be approved.

CARRIED

2022-12-271 **MOVED BY REEVE NYGAARD** that Council approves a change to section 4a. iii of the Inter-Municipal Collaboration Framework Agreement to adjust the Doctors Housing Subsidy Program from 6 months of residential to 3 months starting in 2023.

CARRIED

2022-12-272 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MONTEITH** that \$1,000 be allocated to the Health Professionals Attraction and Retention Committee starting in 2022.

CARRIED

2022-12-273 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR AIRTH** that Councillor Stewart and Deputy Reeve Zabolotniuk be appointed to the Health Care Professionals Attraction & Retention Committee.

CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN:

2022-12-274 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that Dylan Fath and Lyndon Moore be appointed as the Agricultural Fieldman pursuant to Section 8 of the Agricultural Service Board Act.

CARRIED

**INFORMATION/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

2022-12-275 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEWART** that the information/correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

2022-12-276 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CHALIFOUX** that the meeting go into closed session at 2:16 p.m. to discuss negotiations as per section 27, Freedom of Information and Protection Act.

CARRIED

Councillor Stewart stepped out of the the meeting at 2:24 p.m. and returned at 2:29 p.m.

2022-12-277 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HUNT** that the meeting come out of closed session at 2:31 p.m.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

2022-12-278 **MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MIFFLIN** that the meeting be adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

CARRIED

Robert Nygaard, Reeve

Jordan Panasiuk, CAO