

MINUTES
COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.
COUNTY BUILDING, MANNING, ALBERTA

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88585890953?pwd=UmRrUjNkMHFpalczQ2tMcXlsOWpNdz09>

PRESENT:

Gary These	Ward One	Weberville/Stewart
Kayln Schug	Ward Two	Warrensville/Lac Cardinal
Brenda Yasinski	Ward Three	Dixonville/Chinook Valley
Brent Reese	Ward Four	Deadwood/Sunny Valley
Gloria Dechant	Ward Five	North Star/Breaking Point
Terry Ungarian	Ward Six	Hotchkiss/Hawk Hills

REGRETS:

Linda Halabisky	Ward Seven	Keg River/Carcajou
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IN ATTENDANCE:

Theresa Van Oort - Chief Administrative Officer
Teresa Tupper – Executive Assistant/ Recorder
Trent McLaughlin – Director of Public Works
Josh Hunter – Director of Finance
Dan Archer – Mile Zero Banner Post Reporter

01.0 Call to Order

Reeve Terry Ungarian called the Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Council Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

02.0 Adoption of the Agenda

093/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, February 22, 2022, Council Agenda Package and adopt it with the following addition: Info Package: 08.10-d) Statement by Chris Warkentin – MP for Grande Prairie-Mackenzie**
CARRIED

03.0 Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Regular or Special Meeting(s)

A. Tuesday, February 8, 2022, Council Meeting Minutes

094/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, February 8th, 2022, Council Meeting Minutes and adopt them as presented.**
CARRIED

04.0 Delegations

A. Tim Harris, Regional Fire Chief at 9:05 a.m.(zoom)

Reeve welcomed Tim Harris, Regional Fire Chief at 9:02 a.m. via the zoom platform. Captain Robin Differenz (zoom) and Lieutenant Nolan Keddie (in-person) from the Weberville Fire Department also attended. A powerpoint presentation was provided.

Delegation A exited meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Delegation B online

B. County resident June Krupinski regarding Rural Water Connection at 9:45 a.m.

Delegation B exited meeting at 9:54 a.m.

Delegation C enters 9:50 a.m.

Recessed meeting at 9:54 a.m.

Reconvened meeting at 10:02 a.m.

C. Channing Stenhouse, Library Director Peace River Library at 10:02 a.m.

Reeve welcomed Channing Stenhouse to Council and had council make introductions. Channing gave a presentation on the 2021 Library highlights.

Delegation C exited meeting at 10:23 a.m.

05.0 Policies/ Bylaws

A. Advocacy Policy & Plan

095/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Advocacy Policy & Plan and adopt it as presented.**
CARRIED

B. Land Use Bylaw Amendment No. 22-61-470

096/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to give FIRST READING to Bylaw No. 22-61-470, a bylaw to amend 'maps' in the County's Land Use Bylaw 12-61-290; and schedule a Public Hearing for April 12th, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.**
CARRIED

06.0 Municipal/CAO & Departmental Reports/Business

06.1 Government Services

06.1.1 Council/Legislative

A. Alberta-Northwest Territories Command-Military Service Recognition Book

097/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Alberta-Northwest Territories Command-Military Service Recognition Book Request and that the County purchase a ¼ page full colour ad in the 'Military Service Recognition Book' in the amount of \$595.24 from Council grants in support of this annual Remembrance Project.**
CARRIED

B. Women in the North Conference(s)

098/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Women in the North Conference(s) and accept the free registration for Councillor Schug to attend the Peace River conference on April 20, 2022 and register Councillor Yasinski for the Peace River conference and Councillors Dechant and Halabisky for the Town of Manning Conference on May 11, 2022.**
CARRIED

C. RMA Bulletin – Registration open for Canada's History & the Municipal Role in Reconciliation Workshop

099/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the RMA Bulletin and register Councillor Schug (March 25, 2022) and Yasinski (February 28, 2022) for the Municipal Role in Reconciliation Workshop from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
CARRIED

D. Insurance Claim History for 2021 to January 2022

100/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Insurance Claim History for 2021 to January 2022 and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

E. 2024 Alberta Winter Games or 2024 Alberta Summer Games

101/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the 2024 Alberta Winter Games or 2024 Alberta Summer Games Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

F. Land Acknowledgement

102/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the Land Acknowledgement Report and that the Council of the County of Northern Lights hereby adopts both formal and a short land acknowledgement, as outlined below, to be utilized at all County meetings or where a Councillor is invited to speak:
Formal: "We acknowledge the homeland of the many diverse First Nations and Metis people whose ancestors have walked this land since time immemorial. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Treaty 8".
Short: "We acknowledge the Indigenous people and ancestors whose land we are on".**
CARRIED

G. Letter from RMA President, Paul McLauchlin RE: RMA Member Visit

103/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the RMA Member Visit Letter and advise RMA that council is flexible in dates and prefers a longer familiarization meeting.**
CARRIED

H. BC Hydro Update (Councillor Reese)

104/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the verbal BC Hydro Update from Councillor Reese and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

06.1.2 Administration
A. CAO Report

105/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor These to suggest setting Thursday, April 7th, 2022 (evening) to meet with the MD of Peace No. 135 to discuss the Inter-municipal Development Plan (IDP).**
CARRIED

*Recessed council meeting to open the Municipal Planning Commission Meeting at 10:57 a.m.
Reconvened council meeting at 11:05 a.m.*

06.1.3 Assessment

06.1.4 Taxation

06.1.5 Finance

06.1.6 Equipment/Supplies

06.1.7 Buildings/Properties

06.1.8 Personnel/Human Resources

06.2 Protective Services

06.2.1 Policing

06.2.3 Fire protection

06.2.4 Emergency Measures & Disaster Services

06.2.5 Ambulance/First Aid

06.2.6 By-law Enforcement

06.3 Transportation/Drainage/Public Works

06.3.1 Public Works

A. Director of Public Works Report

106/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Director of Public Works Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

06.3.2 Roads

A. Letter from Resident – Road Concerns

107/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Letter from resident regarding road concerns and have administration draft a reply to send to the resident.**
CARRIED

B. Sunny Valley Road - Dust Control Locations

108/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Sunny Valley Road – Dust Control Locations Report and have administration conduct dust control on the areas indicated on the location map provided as part of the County’s 2022 Dust Control Program.**
CARRIED

06.3.3 Airport

06.3.7 Drainage Ditches

06.4 Utilities/Public Works

06.4.1 Water

06.4.2 Sewage

06.4.3 Solid Waste

06.6 Environmental Development

06.6.3 Agriculture Services

A. Ag Retail Pesticide Container Collection

109/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Ag Retail Pesticide Container Collection Report and accept it for information.**

CARRIED

B. Year-End Report Highlights

110/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the Ag Departments Year-End Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

C. Award of Mowing Tender Contract

111/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Award of Mowing Tender Contract Report and award mowing tender to Aaron Cook Environmental Services (ACES) at a bid of \$431,200.00 over 2 years (2022-2023).**
CARRIED

06.6.5 Natural Resources

06.6.6 Housing / Seniors

06.6.9 Tourism

06.6.2 Community Services / Economic Development
A. Department Review

112/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Economic Development and Community Services Department Review and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

B. Recreation Board Donations

113/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Recreation Board Donations Report and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

06.6 Environmental Development

06.6.1 Development [Planning/Zoning/Subdivisions]

A. Proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment within IDP Plan Area with MD of Peace – Request for comments

114/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to accept the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment from the MD of Peace, from a land use perspective; and provide councils comments outlined in the Report.**
CARRIED

07.0 Ward and/or Committee Reports

08.0 Info Items

A. Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Council Info Package

115/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, February 22nd, 2022 Council Info Package including addition, and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

09.0 Open Mic

Decisions on Delegations

B. County resident June Krupinski regarding Rural Water Connection

116/22/02/22 **MOVED BY Councillor These to have administration draft a response letter to June Krupinski rural water inquiry.**
CARRIED

Recessed meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Trent McLaughlin, Director of Public Works, Teresa Tupper Executive Assistant, Dan

Archer, Reporter exited meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Reconvened meeting at 12:11 p.m.

10.0 In Camera Items

A. AUPE Negotiations under FOIP Act Section 17

B. Personnel under FOIP Act Section 17

117/22/02/22 MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to have the Tuesday, February 22nd, 2022 Council Meeting go in camera to discuss Personnel under FOIP Section 17 at 12:11 p.m.
CARRIED

118/22/02/22 MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to have the Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Council Meeting come out of camera at 12:37 p.m.
CARRIED

119/22/02/22 MOVED BY Councillor Schug that the management compensation policy be adopted as amended.
CARRIED

Councillor These declares and exited meeting at 12:42 p.m.

120/22/02/22 MOVED BY Councillor Reese to have the Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Council meeting go back in camera to discuss AUPE Negotiations under FOIP Section 17 at 12:42 p.m.
CARRIED

121/22/02/22 MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to have the Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Council Meeting come out of camera at 1:27 p.m.
CARRIED

122/22/02/22 MOVED BY Councillor Reese to ratify the tentative AUPE Collective Agreement.
CARRIED

11.0 Adjournment

Reeve Terry Ungarian adjourned the Tuesday, February 22nd, 2022 Council Meeting at 1:27 p.m.



Chief Elected Officer



Chief Administrative Officer