

**MINUTES
COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN COUNTY CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.
COUNTY BUILDING, MANNING, ALBERTA**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83154511537?pwd=RXVzS1NkbWFNcGUvWGlmZGN3VHJ1dz09>

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
Linda Halabisky	Ward Seven	Keg River/Carcajou

IN ATTENDANCE:

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

01.0 Call to Order

01.1.1 Land Acknowledgement

Reeve Terry Ungarian called the Tuesday, September 12th regular scheduled council meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

02.0 Adoption of the Agenda

A. Tuesday, September 12, 2023 Council Meeting Agenda

327/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, September 12th, 2023 Council Agenda and adopt it with the following additions:**
06.1.1-F additional information
06.6.3-A Regional Agriculture Service Board Conference
06.6.3-B Mowing Contract for 2024 and Onward
06.1.1-H Joint Meeting with the Town of Manning
Info Package: 08.20-a) Fire Hall Open House & BBQ
10.C Fire Protection – FOIP under Section 21
CARRIED

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

A. Tuesday, August 22, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes

328/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, August 22, 2023 Council meeting minutes and adopt them as presented.**
CARRIED

04.0 Delegations

05.0 Policies/ Bylaws

06.0 Municipal/CAO & Departmental Reports/Business

06.1 Government Services
06.1.1 Council/Legislative
A. Peace River Art Club – 1st Annual Art Gala

329/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Peace River Art Club Gala invitation and accept the donated tickets from the club for their 1st Annual Art Gala and send Councillor Yasinski to attend.**
CARRIED

B. 2023 Annual Library Conference – Stronger Together

330/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the 2023 Annual Library Conference and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

C. Allocation Request from the Peace Regional Health Attraction and Retention Committee

331/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the letter from the Peace Regional Health Attraction and Retention Committee (PRHARC) and table the request to the 2024 budget meeting.**
CARRIED

D. 2023 RMA Fall Convention & EOEP Course Registration

332/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the 2023 RMA Fall Convention and EOEP Course Registration and register Councillors Schug, Reese, Halabisky, Yasinski, These, Ungarian to attend the convention on November 6th to 9th, 2023 at the Edmonton Convention Centre; and register Councillor These, for the Municipal Corporate Planning and Finance EOEP course and Councillors Schug, Halabisky, and Yasinski, for the Effective Meeting EOEP course held on Monday, November 6th, 2023.**
CARRIED

E. Peace Regional SPCA – Funding Request

333/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Peace Regional SPCA funding request and donate \$1500.00 per year to the Peace River SPCA starting in 2023, 2024 and 2025 from council grants.**
CARRIED

F. Request for Internet Supplement Grant

334/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Request for Internet Supplement Grant Report and send a letter that we are not proceeding with any internet grants at this time.**
CARRIED

G. RMA District 4 Association Bylaw

335/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the RMA District 4 Association Bylaw and have administration submit the draft bylaw, with modification to clause 21, to RMA District Chair Tom Burton.**
CARRIED

H. Joint Meeting with the Town of Manning

336/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to change the date of the Joint Meeting with the Town of Manning to September 19th at 5:30p.m.**
CARRIED

337/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to change the time of the regular scheduled council meeting of September 26th from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.**
CARRIED

*Recessed council meeting at 9:37 a.m.
Reconvened council meeting at 9:46 a.m.*

06.1.2 Administration

06.1.3 Assessment

06.1.4 Taxation

A. Property Tax Penalty Waiver

338/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Property Tax Penalty Waiver Report and respond to the resident indicating that no adjustments will be made to penalties.**
CARRIED

06.1.5 Finance

A. Water Repair Relief Request

339/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Yasinski to acknowledge receipt of the Water Repair Relief Request and to issue a credit of \$2000.00 to the Strang Presbyterian Church in recognition of a water line repair.**
CARRIED

B. Year-to-Date Budget

340/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Year-to-Date Budget and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

C. August 2023 Cheque Registers

**341/12/09/23 MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the August 2023 Cheque Registers and accept them for information.
CARRIED**

- 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*

**342/12/09/23 MOVED BY Councillor Dechant to acknowledge receipt of the Director of Public Works Report and accept it for information.
CARRIED**

- 06.3.2 Roads
- 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
 - 06.6.1 Development [Planning/Zoning/Subdivisions]
 - 06.6.2 Community Services / Economic Development
 - 06.6.3 Agriculture Services
 - A. Regional Agriculture Service Board Conference*

**343/12/09/23 MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to acknowledge receipt of the Regional Agriculture Service Board Conference Report and register Councillors Ungarian, These, and Yasinski to attend the event on Thursday, October 26, 2023 hosted by MD of Peace at the Brownvale Community Hall.
CARRIED**

B. Mowing Contract for 2024 and Onwards

**344/12/09/23 MOVED BY Councillor Schug to acknowledge receipt of the Mowing Contract for 2024 and Onwards Report and set both mowing options discussed into a tender so that council can see the results of both scenarios.
CARRIED**

- 06.6.5 Natural Resources
- 06.6.6 Housing / Seniors
- 06.6.9 Tourism

07.0 Ward and/or Committee Reports
A. Councillor Ward Reports

345/12/09/23 MOVED BY Councillor Reese to acknowledge receipt of the Councillor Ward Reports and accept them for information.

CARRIED

08.0 Info Items

A. Tuesday, September 12, 2023 Info Package
08.20-a) Fire Hall Open House & BBQ

346/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor These to acknowledge receipt of the Tuesday, September 12, 2023, Info Package, including addition, and accept it for information.**
CARRIED

09.0 Open Mic

- Questions from Reporter

Decisions on Delegations

*Recessed council meeting at 11:10 a.m.
Reconvened council meeting at 11:17 a.m.*

10.0 In Camera Items

A. Performance Review under FOIP Section 19
B. Waterline – Legal under FOIP Section 27
C. Fire Protection – under FOIP Section 21

347/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Schug to have the Tuesday, September 12, 2023 Council Meeting go in camera to discuss Performance Review under FOIP Section 19, Waterline under FOIP Section 27, and Fire Protection under FOIP Section 21 at 11:18 a.m.**
CARRIED

*Dan Archer, Reporter, Charles Schwab, Director of Public Works and Teresa Tupper, Executive Assistant exited the meeting at 11:17 a.m.
Josh Hunter, Director of Finance and Theresa Van Oort, Chief Administrative Officer exited the meeting at 11:47 a.m.
Theresa Van Oort, Chief Administrative Officer re-entered the meeting at 12:20 p.m.*

348/12/09/23 **MOVED BY Councillor Halabisky to have the Tuesday, September 12th, 2023 Council Meeting come out of camera at 12:32 p.m.**
CARRIED

11.0 Adjournment

Reeve Terry Ungarian adjourned the Tuesday, September 12th, 2023 Council Meeting at 12:32 p.m.



Chief Elected Official
Terry Ungarian



Chief Administrative Officer
Theresa Van Oort