Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Special Council Meeting held January 15, 2016 at 10 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER  Deputy Mayor Nowak called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

PRESENT  Omer Moghrabi  Mayor (entered at 11:16 a.m.)
Wanda Austin  Councillor
Robert Richard  Councillor
Richard Olson  Councillor
David Phillips  Councillor
MJ Siebold  Councillor
Tim Thompson  Councillor
Hajar (Jerry) Haymour  Councillor
John Nowak  Councillor / Deputy Mayor

STAFF IN  Shadia Amblie  Chief Administrative Officer
ATTENDANCE  Melanie McConnell  Assistant Chief Administrative Officer
Dan Small  Senior Manager, Finance & Grants
Julie MacIsaac  Communications Coordinator
Joanne Onciul  Legislative Services Coordinator

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

16.068  Motion by Councillor Phillips to approve the January 15, 2016 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

3.1  Proposed 2016 County Budget.

Council reviewed the capital budget requests and provided motions for Administration to amend the capital budget accordingly.
Recreation, Parks and Facilities

Council Chambers Renovations in McArthur

16.069 Motion by Councilor Haymour to make available funds to construct Council Chamber renovations at McArthur Place (second floor).

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New dance studio and boxing area

16.070 Motion by Councillor Haymour to defer the new dance studio and boxing area renovations until such time that further information can be provided to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Viewpoint deck – interlocking brick and landscaping

16.071 Motion by Councillor Richard to make available funds to construct an asphalt path to connect the viewpoint deck to the existing asphalt trail to a maximum of $5,000.

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Dog park/off-leash area

16.072 Motion by Councillor Siebold to defer the construction of a dog park/off-leash area until such time that further information can be provided to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

New skate park

16.073 Motion by Councillor Thompson to defer the construction of the new skate park until such time that Administration can provide further information to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

New McArthur Park Amphitheatre/Gazebo

16.074 Motion by Councillor Haymour to defer the construction of a new amphitheater and gazebo in McArthur Park until such time that Administration can provide further information to Council, and further that the information be provided to Council by March 31, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Water Tower purchase/lease, repair and repainting

16.075 Motion by Councillor Richard to defer the water tower purchase/lease, repair and repainting until such time that land matters are confirmed.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Haymour
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Siebold

CARRIED
Water Tower purchase/lease, repair and repainting (continued)

16.076 Motion by Councillor Siebold to request Administration to provide the history, options, and cost estimates regarding the water tower purchase/lease, repair and repainting.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Haymou
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Richard

CARRIED

New McArthur Park Playground

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 10:59 a.m.

Councillor Olson returned to Council Chambers at 11:00 a.m.

16.077 Motion by Councillor Phillips to defer the construction of a new playground at McArthur Park, Young’s Beach, and Lakeview until such time that Administration provides further information, alternatives and options.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS
Deputy Mayor Nowak called a recess at 11:00 a.m.

RECONVENE
Deputy Mayor Nowak reconvened the meeting at 11:14 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, with the exception of Councillor Thompson.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Proposed 2016 County Budget (continued).

Recreation, Parks and Facilities

Willow Park Cemetery – Cement ribbons for headstones

16.078 Motion by Councillor Richard to make available funds to purchase cement ribbons for headstones for the Willow Park Cemetery.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Willow Park Cemetery – New Main Gate

Councillor Thompson entered Council Chambers at 11:15 a.m.

Mayor Moghrabi entered Council Chambers at 11:16 a.m.

Willow Park Cemetery – Cairn

Willow Park Cemetery – Pave and Repave

Willow Park Cemetery – Wrought Iron Fence

16.079 Motion by Councillor Haymour to defer the following items:

- Willow Park Cemetery – New Main Gate
- Willow Park Cemetery – Cairn
- Willow Park Cemetery – Pave and Repave
- Willow Park Cemetery – Wrought Iron Fence

to such time that Administration brings forward the options with respect to the cemetery beautification plan to the January 26, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Moghrabi assumed the Chair.

Boat launch on Lac La Biche Lake off Old Trail

16.080 Motion by Councillor Richard that Administration provides an update to Council regarding the boat launch on Lac La Biche Lake off Old Trail, and that the same be brought forward to the February 23, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16.081 Motion by Councillor Thompson that Administration bring forward a maintenance plan regarding boat launches in Lac La Biche County.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
County Boat Launch Development Program

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 11:41 a.m.

Councillor Olson returned to Council Chambers at 11:46 a.m.

16.082 Motion by Councillor Richard that Administration bring forward a County Boat Launch Improvement Program, with details of the planned expenditure of the allotted $100,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Golf Course – New pump house

16.083 Motion by Councillor Phillips that Administration bring forward further information regarding the construction of a new pump house for the golf course.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Golf Course – New shop exterior cement work and landscaping

16.084 Motion by Councillor Thompson that Administration bring forward the plans for the completion of the cement work and landscaping on the new shop exterior at the golf course at the January 26, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fire Rescue

Discussion ensued regarding the purchase and replacement of fire rescue equipment.

Pumper/Rescue Unit – Rich Lake

16.085 Motion by Councillor Richard to make available funds for the purchase of a new Pumper/Rescue Unit for Rich Lake, and further, that $375,000 be taken from reserves to make this purchase.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
RECESS
Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:42 p.m.

RECONVENE
Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:28 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, with the exception of Councillor Haymour.

NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Proposed 2016 County Budget (continued).

Fire Rescue

Heavy Rescue Unit to replace Unit 155

Councillor Thomspn left Council Chambers at 1:31 p.m., and returned at 1:31 p.m.

16.086 Motion by Councillor Olson to deny the purchase of a heavy rescue unit to replace Unit 155.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Haymour
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Austin
Councillor Phillips

CARRIED

238 Pump/Rescue Unit to replace Unit 152 in Lac La Biche

16.087 Motion by Councillor Richard to deny the purchase of a Pump/Rescue Unit to replace Unit 152 in Lac La Biche.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Haymour
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Phillips

CARRIED
16.088 Motion by Councillor Nowak to deny the purchase of a Tanker/Tender.

**IN FAVOUR**
- Mayor Moghrabi
- Councillor Richard
- Councillor Olson
- Councillor Siebold
- Councillor Thompson
- Councillor Haymour
- Councillor Nowak

**OPPOSED**
- Councillor Austin
- Councillor Phillips

CARRIED

16.089 Motion by Councillor Thompson to deny the purchase of a rescue boat on the condition that the County approach Search and Rescue to propose an agreement for the housing and use of their equipment.

**IN FAVOUR**
- Mayor Moghrabi
- Councillor Richard
- Councillor Phillips
- Councillor Siebold
- Councillor Thompson
- Councillor Haymour
- Councillor Nowak

**OPPOSED**
- Councillor Austin
- Councillor Olson

CARRIED
New Rich Lake Fire Hall

16.090 Motion by Councillor Nowak to instruct Administration to investigate the fly problem at Rich Lake Fire Hall, and further, to bring forward a report to Council.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Haymour
Councillor Thompson

CARRIED

16.091 Motion by Councillor Richard to deny the construction of a new Rich Lake Fire Hall.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Haymour
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Austin

CARRIED

Information Technology

Server Room Battery Backup

16.092 Motion by Councillor Nowak to make available funds for the purchase of a server room battery backup.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Haymour

CARRIED
Network Monitoring and Alerting

16.093 Motion by Councillor Olson to make available funds for the implementation of IT software to proactively monitor network connections and send alerts.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Network Upgrade

16.094 Motion by Councillor Haymour to make available funds for a network upgrade.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Radio System Upgrade

16.095 Motion by Councillor Haymour to deny a radio system upgrade.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16.096 Motion by Councillor Richard that Administration bring forward information with respect to the Alberta Emergency radio system.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fiber Optic Upgrade

16.097 Motion by Councillor Richard to deny a fiber optic upgrade and further, that Administration provide further information to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 2:30 p.m.

RECESS Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 2:30 p.m.

RECONVENE Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 2:43 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance, including Councillor Olson.
NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Proposed 2016 County Budget (continued).

Transportation Services

Hamlet resurfacing program – 11 km of roads in the Hamlets of Lac La Biche and Plamondon

Mayor Moghrabi left Council Chambers at 2:45 p.m. Deputy Mayor Nowak resumed the Chair.

Mayor Moghrabi returned to Council Chambers at 2:46 p.m. and resumed the Chair.

Councillor Olson left Council Chambers at 3:12 p.m.

Councillor Olson returned to Council Chambers at 3:13 p.m.

16.098 Motion by Councillor Nowak to make available funds in the amount of $1.4 million and the 2015 carry over for the Hamlet resurfacing program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

91 Avenue base and pave intersection treatment

16.099 Motion by Councillor Richard to make available funds to complete the base and pave of 91st Avenue from the Bold Center to Highway 881, as well as the intersectional treatment at Highway 881 and 91 Avenue, in the amount of $1,730,000.

IN FAVOUR
Mayor Moghrabi
Councillor Austin
Councillor Richard
Councillor Olson
Councillor Phillips
Councillor Siebold
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Nowak

OPPOSED
Councillor Haymour

CARRIED
ADJOURNMENT

16.100 Motion by Councillor Thompson to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of January 15, 2016 at 3:27 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

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Shadia Amblie
Chief Administrative Officer