



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN DRAYTON VALLEY ON TUESDAY, 2008 12 16**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve W. Tweedle called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

**PRESENT**

W. Tweedle, Reeve  
P. Vos, Councillor  
R. Kitching, Councillor  
D. Konelsky, Councillor  
M. Schwab, Councillor  
A. Heinrich, Councillor  
P. Monteith, Councillor  
K. Porter, County Manager  
K. Robinson, Recording Secretary

**OTHERS**

Denise Thompson, Communication Co-ordinator  
C. Dykstra, CIBW Radio  
B. Robinson, Western Review

Reeve W. Tweedle presented Ken Gladstone with a gold watch and certificate of appreciation for his 35 years of service to the County.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF**

**Introduction of New Staff**

R. McCullough introduced Melissa Delorme, P&D Assistant and  
K. Porter introduced Joy Elliott, Human Resources Coordinator.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Tom Campbell from the Chamber of Commerce presented Reeve W. Tweedle an award thanking the County for their support.

**ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Addition to and Adoption of Agenda**

**827/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the agenda with the following additions:

8. Planning & Development Matters
  - (g) Additional correspondence received
9. General Matters
  - (o) Out of Province Conferences
13. Meeting Dates
  - (d) Book a public meeting date and place for the new building
  - (e) Book a special Council meeting between January 5<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> to meet with architects on new building
  - (f) Invitation to Council for Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>
14. In Private
  - (e) Willey West Park
  - (f) Staffing Update

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**ADOPTION  
OF  
MINUTES**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**828/08** Moved by M. Schwab to approve the minutes of the regular Council meeting of November 25, 2008 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**829/08** Moved by P. Vos to approve the minutes of the Council Budget Meeting of December 10, 2008 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS  
ARISING**

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

None

**URGENT  
ITEMS**

**Urgent Items**

None

**FINANCE  
MATTERS**

**Finance Matters**

**Annual Sewer Maintenance Tax Bylaw 654-08**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**830/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give first reading to Bylaw 654-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**831/08** Moved by P. Vos to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 654-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**832/08** Moved by M. Schwab to give unanimous consent to proceed to 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading for Bylaw 654-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**833/08** Moved by B. Kitching to give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Bylaw 654-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2008 Write-offs**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**834/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the write-off list as follows:

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Roll # 501014 | \$129.82 |
| Roll # 002705 | \$642.30 |
| Roll # 812000 | \$ 98.13 |

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Annual Borrowing Bylaw 659-08**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**835/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give first reading to Bylaw 659-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**836/08** Moved by D. Konelsky to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 659-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**837/08** Moved by M. Schwab to give unanimous consent to proceed to 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**838/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Bylaw 659-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**GENERAL MATTERS**

**General Matters**

**Animal Control Bylaw 656-08**

Council reviewed the draft bylaw presented.

**839/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give first reading to Bylaw 656-08, as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Drayton Valley and District Historical Society**

Council reviewed the correspondence received.

**840/08** Moved by M. Schwab to forward a letter indicating that the County is not prepared to provide staffing, but are willing to provide funding to the D.V. Historical Society for the same amount as last year.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Request for Walking/Biking Path**

Council reviewed the correspondence received.

**841/08** Moved by M. Schwab that Administration investigate the request and report back to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Lodgepole Recreational Society Sublease Agreement**

Council reviewed the report and draft agreement.

**842/08** Moved by R. Kitching to approve the agreement as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Acting Director of Public Works**

Council reviewed the report and recommendation.

**843/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to appoint Terry Fleming as the Acting Director of Public Works, effective January 1, 2009.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Public Hearings**

**844/08** Moved by P. Monteith that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 proceed into 'public hearing' at 10:15 am for the purpose of receiving public input regarding Bylaw 647-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no one from the public present to speak for or against the bylaw.

**845/08** Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 come out of 'public hearing' at 10:20 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT  
MATTERS**

**Planning, Development & Land Matters**

**Second and Third Reading for Bylaw 647-08  
SE 7-49-6-W5M – Lot 1, Plan 002 0835  
Cory and Amanda Townsend**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**846/08** Moved by M. Schwab to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 647-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**847/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Bylaw 647-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**First Reading for Bylaw 649-08 for the Redesignation of  
Pt. NE 20-48-04-W5M from Agriculture District (AG) to Country  
Residential District (CR) Jeff and Robin Wardlow**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**848/08** Moved by D. Konelsky to give first reading to Bylaw 649-08 and to schedule a public hearing for January 13, 2009 at 10:15 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**First Reading for Bylaw 650-08 for the Redesignation of Pt. NE 07-49-07-W5M from Agriculture District (AG) to Country Residential District (CR) Daniel Mears**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**849/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to give first reading to Bylaw 650-08 and to schedule a public hearing for January 13, 2009 at 10:30 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Public Hearings**

**850/08** Moved by R. Kitching that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 proceed into 'public hearing' at 10:30 am for the purpose of receiving public input regarding Bylaw 652-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no one from the public present to speak for or against the bylaw.

**851/08** Moved by P. Vos that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 come out of 'public hearing' at 10:35 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT  
MATTERS**

**Planning, Development & Land Matters**

**Second and Third Reading for Bylaw 652-08 NE 21-49-5-W5M – Block 5 Plan 912 0801 Kolo Holdings Inc.**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**852/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 652-08.

**IN FAVOUR:** A. Heinrich  
P. Vos  
M. Schwab  
W. Tweedle  
P. Monteith  
R. Kitching

**OPPOSED:** D. Konelsky

**CARRIED**

**853/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Bylaw 652-08.

**IN FAVOUR:** A. Heinrich  
P. Vos  
M. Schwab  
W. Tweedle  
P. Monteith  
R. Kitching

**OPPOSED:** D. Konelsky

**CARRIED**



**First Reading for Bylaw 655-08 in Support of a Proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Lafarge Canada Inc.**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**854/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to give first reading to Bylaw 655-08 and to schedule a public hearing for January 13, 2009 at 10:00 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Public Hearings**

**855/08** Moved by R. Kitching that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 proceed into 'public hearing' at 10:45 am for the purpose of receiving public input regarding Bylaw 653-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Vera Jorgenson attended the public hearing today to voice her concerns with this development. She referred to her submitted letter and stated that she does not approve of the lack of regard for the County's permit process.

Gordon Smith attended the public hearing today to voice his concerns regarding the development. He referred to his submitted letter and reported that he does not approve of the way this business is operating without the proper permits. He also said that he wants to see a sizeable tree buffer.

Brent Hodgson attended the public hearing today to voice his concerns regarding the increased traffic with the proper permits.

Theresa Bernes reported that all her permits are in place with the exception of the development permit and that the safety codes and fire inspection were completed.

**856/08** Moved by P. Monteith that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 come out of 'public hearing' at 11:05 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT  
MATTERS**

**Planning, Development & Land Matters**

**Second and Third Reading for Bylaw 653-08  
Pt. NE 33-48-7-W5M – Plan 4065  
All Season Storage**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**857/08** Moved by D. Konelsky to reject the proposal as submitted for second and third reading of Bylaw 653-08.

**IN FAVOUR:** D. Konelsky  
P. Vos

**OPPOSED:** R. Kitching  
P. Monteith  
W. Tweedle  
M. Schwab  
A. Heinrich

**DEFEATED**



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**858/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 653-08.

**IN FAVOUR:** A. Heinrich  
M. Schwab  
W. Tweedle  
P. Monteith  
R. Kitching

**OPPOSED:** D. Konelsky  
P. Vos

**CARRIED**

**859/08** Moved by R. Kitching to give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Bylaw 653-08.

**IN FAVOUR:** A. Heinrich  
M. Schwab  
W. Tweedle  
P. Monteith  
R. Kitching

**OPPOSED:** D. Konelsky  
P. Vos

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Ratepayer Concerns**

None

**GENERAL  
MATTERS**

**General Matters**

**Steering Committee Appointment for Review of the  
Municipal Development Plan (M.P.C.)**

Council reviewed the report and recommendation.

**860/08** Moved by M. Schwab to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Alberta Royal Canadian Legion**

Council reviewed the email correspondence received.

**861/08** Moved by P. Monteith to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Fees for the Drayton Valley Childcare**

Council reviewed the correspondence received.

**862/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to forward a letter indicating that Council is of the same opinion that we are not supporting subsidizing day care in the County.

**IN FAVOUR:** A. Heinrich  
P. Vos  
M. Schwab  
W. Tweedle  
P. Monteith  
R. Kitching

**OPPOSED:** D. Konelsky

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATIONS/  
APPOINTMENTS**

**Delegations/Appointments**

**Public Hearings**

**863/08** Moved by P. Monteith that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 proceed into 'public hearing' at 11:17 am for the purpose of receiving public input regarding Bylaw 651-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

A representative from Hopkins Construction was present to answer questions from Council. There was no one from the public present to speak for or against the bylaw.

**864/08** Moved by P. Monteith that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 come out of 'public hearing' at 11:29 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT  
MATTERS**

**Planning, Development & Land Matters**

**Second and Third Reading for Bylaw 651-08**  
**NW ½ 19-47-7-W5M**  
**Hopkins Construction**

Council reviewed the report presented.

**865/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to Bylaw 651-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**866/08** Moved by M. Schwab to give 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading to Bylaw 651-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**General Matters**

**Eagle Point Park and Blue Rapids Parks Council Request for Funding**

Council reviewed the correspondence received.

**867/08** Moved by P. Monteith to continue to provide "in kind" when possible, but to deny the request for financial support.

**IN FAVOUR:** P. Monteith  
R. Kitching  
D. Konelsky  
A. Heinrich  
M. Schwab  
W. Tweedle

**OPPOSED:** P. Vos

**CARRIED**

**Light Vehicle Purchasing Policy**

Council reviewed the report and recommendation.

**868/08** Moved by M. Schwab to approve the Light Vehicle Purchasing Policy as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Schedule of Fees Bylaw 660-08**

Council reviewed the draft bylaw.

**869/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give first reading to Bylaw 660-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**870/08** Moved by M. Schwab to give second reading to Bylaw 660-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**871/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to give unanimous consent to proceed to third reading to Bylaw 660-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**872/08** Moved by P. Monteith to give third and final reading to Bylaw 660-08.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Non-Union Cost of Living Increase – 2009**

Council reviewed the report and recommendation.

**873/08** Moved by P. Monteith to approve a 3% cost of living increase to be applied to the non-union salary grid effective January 1, 2009.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Recess for Lunch**

**874/08** Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Council meeting December 16, 2008 recess for lunch at 11:55 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve W. Tweedle called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.

**PRESENT**

W. Tweedle, Reeve  
P. Vos, Councillor  
R. Kitching, Councillor  
D. Konelsky, Councillor  
M. Schwab, Councillor  
A. Heinrich, Councillor  
P. Monteith, Councillor  
K. Porter, County Manager  
K. Robinson, Recording Secretary

**OTHERS**

Denise Thompson, Communication Co-ordinator  
B. Robinson, Western Review

**INTRODUCTION  
OF NEW STAFF**

**Introduction of New Staff**

D. Welsh introduced Brenda Thola, Payroll Clerk to Council.

**GENERAL  
MATTERS**

**General Matters**

**2009 Interim Operating and Capital Budget**

Council reviewed the draft 2009 interim budget submitted.

**875/08** Moved by P. Monteith to approve the 2009 Interim Operating and Capital Budget.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**GAER Membership Fee Increase**

Council reviewed the email correspondence received.

**876/08** Moved by D. Konelsky to support the proposed GAER membership fee increases for 2009 – 2010 and 2010 – 2011 fiscal years.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Conference Attendance Policy**

Councillor M. Schwab suggested that the County adopt a conference attendance policy for Councillors.

**877/08** Moved by M. Schwab that Administration draft a policy regarding Council's attendance at conferences.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**CORRESPONDENCE/  
ITEMS FOR  
INFORMATION**

**Correspondence/Items for Information**

- a) Correspondence from Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development regarding the Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture (AESAs) Program



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- b) Correspondence from the Yellowhead Regional Library regarding the 2010 levy
- c) Correspondence from Alberta Sport, Recreation Parks & Wildlife Foundation regarding their annual report
- e) News Release titled: Alberta and British Columbia Release Report of Joint Expert Panel on Pension Standards
- f) Correspondence from Alberta Environment regarding the Town of Drayton Valley's municipal wastewater sludge.

**878/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to forward a letter to the Town and enclosing a copy of the correspondence received from Rob Renner, Minister of Environment, and draw the Town's attention to that part of the letter that says the applicant is required to obtain written consent from the county prior to application of biosolids to agricultural lands within the county.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- g) Email correspondence from the AUMA regarding Municipal Spending in Alberta
- h) GAER Quick Notes
- i) Correspondence from Yellowhead County regarding their appointments to the Pembina Valley Regional Ambulance Authority
- j) Correspondence from Legal Aid Alberta regarding their Financial Eligibility Guidelines
- k) Thank you letter from the West Central Airshed Society
- l) Correspondence from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) capital project funding
- m) Correspondence from Alberta Municipal Affairs regarding the Order in Council approving the annexation of certain lands from Yellowhead County to Brazeau County
- n) Correspondence from Alberta Advanced Education and Technology regarding local delivery of advanced education in rural areas
- o) Email correspondence from FCM regarding the Aboriginal Health Forum
- p) FCM Members' Advisory's titled: Call for information on municipal "construction-ready" projects and Infrastructure and the economy
- q) Correspondence from ARPA regarding local recreation and parks services and the Lieutenant Governor's Leadership for Active Communities Award
- r) AAMDC Fall 2008 Centennial Convention
- s) Reeves & Mayors Meeting Minutes



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- t) AAMDC Member Bulletins titled: Government of Alberta Offers Transitional Royalty Rates; Government of Alberta Renews Water for Life Strategy; Alberta Water Council Releases Shared Governance Framework; Municipalities Respond to Claims Made by Canadian Federation of Independent Business; Government of Alberta Releases Land-use Framework; Fall 2008 Centennial Convention Materials Now Available Online
- u) AAMDC District Highlights – District No. 3 Pembina River Meeting
- v) AAMDC Contact Newsletters dated: Nov. 21, 2008; Nov. 28, 2008; and December 5, 2008

**879/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the correspondence items for information with the exception of item (f) which was dealt with separately.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**QUESTIONS FOR THE MEDIA**

**Questions for the Media**

D. Thompson reported that she would work with the Finance Dept. for a news release regarding the passing of the 2009 Interim Operating and Capital Budget, also a request from GAER to utilize the County newsletter. D. Thompson also indicated that the next newsletter would be out around January 20, 2009.

**COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

**Councillor Reports – November 16 – December 31, 2008**

Not Available

Councillor M, Schwab reported that she attended the RCMP dinner at the Word of Life Church for Reeve W. Tweedle.

**MEETING DATES**

**Meeting Dates**

**Ratify Any Meetings Attended since November 23, 2008**

None

**Agenda items for Joint Meeting with Clearwater County**

**880/08** Moved by M. Schwab to schedule a joint meeting for Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in Council Chambers and an additional agenda item is 'water management'.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Emerging Trends in Municipal Law**

**881/08** Moved by P. Vos to approve Councillor D. Konelsky's attendance at the Emerging Trends workshop to be held on February 12, 2009.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Book a Public Meeting Date and Place for the New Building**

**882/08** Moved by P. Monteith to schedule a public meeting on January 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 8:00 pm in Council Chambers to present the new building plans and costs to the public.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Book a Special Council Meeting Between January 5<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>  
To Meet with Architects on New Building**

**883/08** Moved by P. Vos to schedule a Special Council Meeting January 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 – noon.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Invitation to Council for December 18, 2008**

K. Porter extended an invitation to Council to attend a Christmas luncheon in the County shop at 4:00 pm on December 18, 2008.

**IN PRIVATE  
SESSION**

**In Private Session**

**884/08** Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Council Meeting of December 16, 2008 proceed into 'in private' at 2:17 pm for the purpose of discussing: annexation; Administration Building Steering Committee; Councillor concerns, approval of union contract, Willey West Park and a staffing update.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**885/08** Moved by P. Monteith that the regular Council Meeting of December 16, 2008 come out of 'in private' at 3:32 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**886/08** Moved by A. Heinrich to forward a letter to the Town indicating that if the Town is prepared to withdraw their annexation application, then we would be prepared to reconsider withdrawing our application for costs.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**887/08** Moved by D. Konelsky to approve the Union Contract for the period January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**888/08** Moved by P. Monteith to forward a letter to the Minister of Transportation regarding the alignment of the bridge and the effect on Willey West Park.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Adjournment**

**889/08** Moved by P. Vos that the regular Council meeting of December 16, 2008 adjourn at 3:35 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Reeve

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County Manager