

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN DRAYTON VALLEY ON TUESDAY, 2006 09 19.

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve W. Tweedle called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

PRESENT

W. Tweedle, Reeve
D. Walton, Councillor
R. Kitching, Councillor
T. Mitchell, Councillor
G. Mastre, Councillor
A. Heinrich, Councillor
K. Porter, County Manager
K. Robinson, Recording Secretary

OTHERS

Courtney Whalen, Western Review
Denise Thompson, Communication Co-ordinator

ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition to and Adoption of Agenda

446/06 Moved by D. Walton to approve the agenda with the following additions:

5. Delegations/Appointments

11:00 – 1:00 AAMD&C Executive
Lunch at Caesar's

9. General Matters

- g) Construction Overage Costs for Rocky Rapids Utility Extension
- h) Correspondence from resident requesting to purchase lots in Cynthia

10. Correspondence

- p) AAMD&C Contact Newsletter – Sept. 15/06
- q) AAMD&C Member Bulletin – Sept. 15/06

12. Meeting Dates

- c) Joint meeting with the County of Wetaskiwin
- e) Budget Meeting – October 24, 2006
Cancel and reschedule to October 26th

14. In Private

- d) Beaver Estates update

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Adoption of Minutes

447/06 Moved by T. Mitchell to adopt the minutes of the August 19, 2006 regular Council Meeting amended as follows:

Page 4 – The second paragraph under Ratepayer Concerns should read ..."Reeve W. Tweedle thanked Mrs. Pysko and Ms. Whitelock for their presentation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

Business Arising from the Minutes

None

**URGENT
ITEMS**

Urgent Items

None

**AGRICULTURE
MATTERS**

Agriculture Matters

Agriculture Summer End Report

Council reviewed the report submitted.

448/06 Moved by G. Mastre to receive the Agriculture Department report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FINANCE
MATTERS**

Finance Matters

Outstanding A/R Accounts

Council reviewed the report presented.

449/06 Moved by G. Mastre to approve the following arrears be added to the respective tax roll under the authority of Section 553(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act as follows:

Roll # 000712	\$64.77
Roll # 003206	59.15
Roll # 003226	138.65
Roll # 003246	101.67
Roll # 003208	98.21

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cash Statement and Investment Summary

Council reviewed the report presented.

450/06 Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the Cash Statement and Investment Summary for August, 2006.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**GENERAL
MATTERS**

General Matters

Proposed Campground on Modeste Creek

Council reviewed the letter from a concerned resident.

451/06 Moved by A. Heinrich to forward a response to the concerned resident indicating the process the County will be following with regard to the proposed campground on Modeste Creek.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PLANNING
AND
DEVELOPMENT
MATTERS**

Planning and Development Matters

Policy PW-17

Council reviewed the report presented.

452/06 Moved by R. Kitching to amend the wording used in Policy PW-17 from "Land Acquisition Agreement" to "Land Purchase Agreement".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

453/06 Moved by D. Walton that Administration draft a policy, which considers elimination of descriptive plans, with regards to Plans of Survey for subdivision applications

IN FAVOUR: D. Walton
T. Mitchell
R. Kitching
G. Mastre
W. Tweedle

OPPOSED: A. Heinrich

CARRIED

**To Re-designate a Portion of Lot 4, Plan 772 2995,
SE 23-49-8-W5M from Agriculture District to County Residential
District
Landowner: Dennis and Deborah Bauman**

Council reviewed the report presented.

454/06 Moved by T. Mitchell to accept the application to amend the Land Use Bylaw with an amendment to the proposed Schedule 'A', as indicated on Schedule 'F' showing the panhandle width to the remainder to be 30m (100 ft) and to give first reading to Bylaw 552-06 and to schedule a public hearing for 10:00 am on October 10, 2006.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**PUBLIC
HEARING**

Public Hearing

455/06 Moved by A. Heinrich that the regular Council Meeting of September 19, 2006 proceed into 'Public Hearing' at 10:02 am, in regards to Bylaw 550-06.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

K. Porter read a letter of concern from residents as follows:

"We the young quaders of Rocky Rapids and surrounding area object to the new ATV Bylaw 550-06, Section 7, which reads 'off highway vehicles may not operate inside the boundaries of a designated Hamlet, except for the purpose of work related activities.'

This is our only way to access the quad trails. We drive thru with respect to the residents and the noise restriction. We have the right to enjoy our ATV's. There is so little to do in this town and now you want to limit the one activity we enjoy as a group."

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K. Porter further reported that an RCMP member recommended that in Section 11 of the Bylaw that Council consider the ATV be seized and detained for 21 days to allow for final disposition of any proceedings.

A resident who was present stated that he occasionally travels on a road where he cannot get into the ditch in order to plow snow for his neighbour and he asked if the bylaw would be restricting him from doing that.

Reeve W. Tweedle indicated that for work related activities, ATV's may operate in municipal road right-of-ways or properties inside the boundaries of any Country Residential Multi-lot Subdivision.

456/06 Moved by T. Mitchell that the regular Council Meeting of September 19, 2006 come out of 'Public Hearing' at 10:15 am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

457/06 Moved by R. Kitching to amend Bylaw 550-06, item 11 to read "...may seize and detain any off-highway vehicle for a seven (7) day period in respect of which the offence was committed. All costs for impounding and storage of the vehicle will be borne by the owner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GENERAL MATTERS

General Matters

Bylaw 550-06 – Off Highway Vehicles on Highways, Right-of-Ways and Municipal Property in Brazeau County

Council reviewed the amended bylaw.

458/06 Moved by T. Mitchell to give 2nd reading to Bylaw 550-06 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

459/06 Moved by A. Heinrich to give 3rd and final reading to Bylaw 550-06.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Community Group Funding – Easyford Hall

Council reviewed the report submitted.

460/06 Moved by D. Walton to approve \$5,700.00 for the Easyford Hall for the deposit on the playground equipment to be purchased and installed in May 2007 and budget the balance of \$14,300 in the 2007 budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Yellowhead County Grand Opening

Council discussed the purchase of a picture to present to Yellowhead County for the Grand Opening of their new Administration Building.

Council agreed to purchase a picture for presentation to Yellowhead County at the next District 3 meeting.

Brazeau Regional Tourism Request for Support

Council reviewed the correspondence received from Brazeau Regional Tourism.

461/06 Moved by R. Kitching to provide a letter of support for Brazeau Regional Tourism for their application for the Rural Community Economic Development Grant from West Central Community Futures.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Support of Residents Affected by the West Energy Sour Gas Applications

Councillor G. Mastre requested that Council apply for intervener status on two West Energy Sour Gas Wells near Rocky Rapids.

462/06 Moved by D. Walton to request intervener status on two West Energy Sour Gas Wells located at 4-1-50-7-W5M and 16-35-49-7-W5M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

463/06 Moved by A. Heinrich that Council give their support to the residents of Rocky Rapids for their application for intervener status on two West Energy Sour Gas Wells located at 4-1-50-7-W5M and 16-35-49-7-W5M.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve W. Tweedle called a five-minute break.

GENERAL MATTERS

General Matters

Construction Overage Costs for Rocky Rapids Utility Extension

Council reviewed the report presented.

464/06 Moved by T. Mitchell to approve additional funds in the amount of \$75,390.65 for the utility extensions completed in the Hamlet of Rocky Rapids in 2006.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence from Resident Requesting to Purchase Lots in Cynthia

Council reviewed the correspondence from Mitch Lambert.

465/06 Moved by G. Mastre that Administration research the status of the lots and report back to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE/
ITEMS FOR
INFORMATION**

Correspondence/Items for Information

- a) Email correspondence from the Recycling Council of Alberta regarding a challenge for municipalities titled "Starve a Landfill – Reduce Your Waste-Line"
- b) Correspondence from the NRCB regarding changes to the Natural Resources Conservation Board applications process for confined feeding operations

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- c) FCM Members' Advisory titled "FCM Submission Calls for Long-Term Federal Plan to Fix Municipal Infrastructure"
- d) Correspondence from Wild Rose Public Schools regarding the newly elected Board Members Mrs. Gerald Kujala for Chair and Mrs. Vicky Jorgensen for Vice-Chair
- e) Local Government Services Division – Assessment Bulletin
- f) Copy of the Board Order for the August 31, 2006 Inter-Municipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
- g) Correspondence from the FCM regarding the Green Municipal Fund Annual Report (available from Administration)
- h) Correspondence from Alberta Health and Wellness regarding Alberta's updated Health Policy Framework titled "Getting on with Better Health Care" (available from Administration)
- i) Correspondence from Alberta Solicitor General and Public Security regarding Alberta Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day – September 24, 2006
- j) Correspondence from the Safe Communities Coalition of Central Alberta
- k) AAMD&C Contact Newsletters dated August 25th, September 1st, September 8th, 2006

466/06 Moved by G. Mastre that Administration request a copy of the Cost and Revenue Sharing Master Agreement between Wetaskiwin County, the Town of Millet and the City of Wetaskiwin.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- l) AAMD&C District Highlights dated August 11, 2006
- m) AAMD&C – Resolutions Endorsed by District No. 3
- n) AAMD&C Press Release titled "AAMDC President Elected Chair of FCM Rural Forum"
- o) AAMD&C Member Bulletins titled "Update: Provincial Land use Framework Focus Groups"; "Manager's Report to ALARIE Attorney in Fact"; "Reminder: Oil Sands Development Consultations"; "Update: Advocacy Efforts Surrounding the Education Property Tax"
- p) AAMD&C Contact Newsletter – Sept. 15/06
- q) AAMD&C Member Bulletin – Sept. 15/06

467/06 Moved by T. Mitchell to receive the items of correspondence for information with the exception of item (k) which was dealt with separately.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Reports – July 16 – August 15, 2006

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- Reeve W. Tweedle reported that he attended:
- AAMD&C Zone Meeting
 - Regular Council Meeting
 - Town/County Negotiations
 - ASB Tour
 - Meeting with resident
 - IMSDAB Hearing
 - Policy Review Meeting

Councillor A. Heinrich reported that he attended:

- Regular Council Meeting
- MPC Meeting
- IMPC Meeting
- Policy Review Meeting

Councillor R. Kitching reported that he attended:

- AAMD&C Zone Meeting
- Regular Council Meeting
- Air Monitor Meeting
- IMSDAB Hearing
- Int. Water Management Steering Committee Meeting X 2
- Policy Review Meeting

Councillor G. Mastre reported that he attended:

- Regular Council Meeting
- Town/County Negotiations
- Policy Review Meeting

Councillor T. Mitchell reported that he attended:

- AAMD&C Zone Meeting
- Regular Council Meeting
- MPC Meeting
- IMPC Meeting
- Policy Review Meeting

Councillor D. Walton reported that he attended:

- AAMD&C Zone Meeting
- Regular Council Meeting
- Surface Rights Review Committee
- GAER Forestry Committee Meeting
- ASB Tour
- Policy Review Meeting

468/06 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the Councillor Reports as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COUNCILLOR
COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Councillor Committee Reports

Councillor A. Heinrich provided an update regarding the Warburg Seed Cleaning Plant meeting of September 18, 2006.

Reeve W. Tweedle provided an update regarding the large seed companies monopoly on seed production and the viability of the seed cleaning plants.

Reeve W. Tweedle provided an update regarding a GAER Meeting he attended.

Councillor R. Kitching provided an update regarding a Watershed Regional Advisory Committee meeting he attended.

**DELEGATIONS/
APPOINTMENTS**

Delegations/Appointments

**RATEPAYER
CONCERNS**

There were none.

AAMD&C Executive Visit

Mark Oberg, Don Johnson and Gerald Rhodes attended the meeting today to meet with Council and discuss issues of concern where the AAMD&C can be of assistance. Council discussed rural development strategy; annexations; downloading; and CAIS Program.

RECESS FOR LUNCH

469/06 Moved by T. Mitchell that the regular meeting of September 19, 2006 recess for lunch at 12:02 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve W. Tweedle called the meeting to order at 1:22 pm.

PRESENT

W. Tweedle, Reeve
D. Walton, Councillor
R. Kitching, Councillor
T. Mitchell, Councillor
G. Mastre, Councillor
A. Heinrich, Councillor
K. Porter, County Manager
K. Robinson, Recording Secretary

MEETING DATES

Meeting Dates

Ratify any meetings attended since August 29, 2006

None

**Pan Western Regional Economic Development Conference
October 24 – 26, 2006 – Camrose, AB**

470/06 Moved by R. Kitching to authorize Kelly Starling, Economic Development Consultant to attend the Pan Western Regional Economic Development Conference on October 24 – 26, 2006 in Camrose, AB.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Confirmation of Joint meeting with Wetaskiwin County
October 24, 2006 at Wind in the Willows at 6:00 pm.**

Council requested that three items be added to the agenda as follows: Inter-municipal Agreements; Ambulance Service; and Gravel.

Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 – 90th Anniversary

471/06 Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Budget Meeting

472/06 Moved by T. Mitchell to re-schedule the budget meeting from Oct. 24 to 26th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA

Question Period for the Media

None

IN PRIVATE SESSION

In Private Session

473/06 Moved by T. Mitchell that the regular Council Meeting of September 19, 2006 proceed into 'in private' at 1:32 pm for the purpose of discussing: Lodge Update; Draft Re-Alignment Agreement; Annexation Update; and Beaver Estates Update.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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474/06 Moved by T. Mitchell that the regular Council Meeting of September 19, 2006 come out of 'in private' at 3:01 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

475/06 Moved by G. Mastre to forward a letter to the residents of Beaver Estates regarding holding tank/pump and haul estimates.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

476/06 Moved by R. Kitching that Administration research the capacity of the lagoons and to draft a policy that could affect waiving dumping fees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

477/06 Moved by D. Walton to forward a letter to the Town of Drayton Valley regarding the Realignment Agreement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

478/06 Moved by T. Mitchell that the regular Council meeting of September 19, 2006 adjourn at 3:02 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Reeve

County Manager