

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN BRAZEAU COUNTY ON TUESDAY 2019 01 15**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Reeve B. Guyon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**PRESENT**

B. Guyon, Reeve  
H. Swan, Councillor  
D. Wiltse, Councillor  
S. Wheale, Councillor  
M. Gressler, Councillor  
A. Heinrich, Councillor  
K. Westerlund, Councillor  
J. Whaley, Chief Administrative Officer  
T. Kwirant, Executive Assistant  
C. Whalen, Administrative Assistant  
K. MacInnis, Corporate Communications Co-ordinator

**STAFF AWARDS**

**Fifteen-Year Long Service Award was presented to David Fowell, Mechanic**

**ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Addition to and Adoption of Agenda**

**0008/19-01-15** Moved by A. Heinrich to approve the agenda with the following additions:

12. General Matters
  - d) Assessment Year Modifiers - K. Westerlund
  - e) Bigger Bighorn - B. Guyon
13. Correspondence
  - d) County of Wetaskiwin Support of Opposition in the Provincial Bighorn Proposal
15. Meeting Dates
  - b) Community Generation Roadshow 2019
  - c) Smart Cities Challenges Strategy February 5, 2019
  - d) Ratification of Reeve's speaking engagements

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**ADOPTION OF  
MINUTES**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**0009/19-01-15** Moved by H. Swan to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2018 Council Budget meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**0010/19-01-15** Moved by D. Wiltse to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2018 regular Council meeting as amended:  
*"Motion 1292/18-12-18 - A. Heinrich opposed"*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**0011/19-01-15** Moved by S. Wheale to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2019 Special Council meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**BUSINESS  
ARISING**

**Business Arising**

**Follow Up Action List**

**0012/19-01-15** Moved by H. Swan to receive the Follow Up Action List for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**URGENT  
ITEMS**

**Urgent Items**

None

**COMMUNITY  
SERVICES**

**Community Services**

**Montreal Canadiens Alumni Hockey Game**

L. Chambers presented a request from the Montreal Canadiens Alumni Hockey Game Committee for funding for a family event.

**0013/19-01-15** Moved by D. Wiltse to approve a \$1,000.00 community event grant for the Montreal Canadiens Alumni Hockey Game on March 16, 2019.

**IN FAVOUR**

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

H. Swan

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse



**OPPOSED**

M. Gressler

**CARRIED**

**Municipal Energy Efficiency Rebate (MEER) Increase in Rates to Match Province**

T. London presented a request to increase the MEER Program rates to match Energy Efficiency Alberta's rates.

**0014/19-01-15**

Moved by M. Gressler to increase the rebate from \$0.75 cent/Watt to \$0.90 cents/Watt to match Energy Efficiency Alberta's increased incentive levels for eligible participants who wish to install solar photovoltaic (PV) systems effective January 1, 2019.

**IN FAVOUR**

H. Swan

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

D. Wiltse

M. Gressler

**OPPOSED**

A. Heinrich

S. Wheale

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Public Works**

**Cattle Pass Research**

L. Fischer and J. Durkee presented information regarding cattle passes under roadways.

**0015/19-01-15**

Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to bring back a policy regarding cattle passes for Council's consideration by February 5, 2019.

**IN FAVOUR**

S. Wheale

B. Guyon

K. Westerlund

M. Gressler

**OPPOSED**

D. Wiltse

A. Heinrich

H. Swan

**CARRIED**



**PLANNING &  
DEVELOPMENT**

**Planning and Development**

**Area of Crown Owned Land by Provincial Ownership Category in Brazeau County**

K. Sterling and M. Boscarior presented information clarifying the area of Crown owned land by provincial ownership category within Brazeau County.

**0016/19-01-15** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive for information the report on crown lands.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Tiny Homes and Park Models**

S. Bennett and M. Boscarior presented information regarding how tiny dwellings and park models are currently regulated within the Land Use Bylaw and alternative regulations.

**0017/19-01-15** Moved by H. Swan to direct Administration to research opportunities to live in either tiny homes or park models, in the most reasonable best practices available and bring a report back to Council for February 19, 2019.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2019 Community Planning Association of Alberta (CPAA) Conference Sponsorship**

M. Boscarior presented a request for sponsorship for the 2019 CPAA Conference.

**0018/19-01-15** Moved by S. Wheale to direct Administration to provide a Brazeau County promotional item basket up to \$250.00 for the CPAA Conference.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 10:11 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 10:21 a.m.

**GENERAL  
MATTERS**

**General Matters**

**Resident's Request to Rescind Decision for Goat Trail on TWP 474**

Council reviewed the letter from Mr. Oberle requesting that the TWP 474 project be rescinded.

**0019/19-01-15** Moved by A. Heinrich to receive the resident's letter regarding Twp 474 for information.



**IN FAVOUR**

A. Heinrich  
H. Swan  
B. Guyon  
D. Wiltse

**OPPOSED**

M. Gressler  
K. Westerlund  
S. Wheale

**CARRIED**

**Alberta Boxing Association Letter of Support**

D. Wiltse requested a letter of support for the Alberta Boxing Association in support of their grant application for funds toward renovations of their facility.

**0020/19-01-15** Moved by S. Wheale to approve a letter of support for the Alberta Boxing Association's grant application.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Opportunity for Input Resource for Municipalities**

K. Westerlund presented a request from Community Addiction and Mental Health for participants from Brazeau County Administration and Council toward the development of a Provincial resource to reduce alcohol related harm.

**0021/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information the Opportunity for Input Resource for Municipalities.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Assessment Year Modifiers Discussion**

K. Westerlund encouraged a discussion regarding Assessment Year Modifiers prompted by the President of the RMA.

**0022/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to advise the RMA that Council's reaction to the Assessment Year Modifiers (AYM) is "since 2015 the AYM have been frozen which has meant a significant loss of income for Brazeau County and although we appreciate the moderate increase proposed, this does not make up for the losses. This also makes it extremely difficult to develop a five-year budget as mandated by the Province."

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Bighorn Country Proposal**

Council discussed ensued.

**0023/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund to table the Bighorn discussion until after public input session.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PUBLIC INPUT  
SESSION**

**Public Input Session**

Reeve B. Guyon opened the Public Input Session at 11:00 a.m.

Cliff Whitelock suggested limiting the time that speakers can talk at the public input session for the Bighorn Country Proposal information night. His land is in the affected area and he is concerned once the province puts this in place it will create more work for people and farmers. It will further affect industry and support services like schools, roads, and doctors.

Garry Mastre spoke to the yellow vest organization not being happy with the government, and how that is the same as the majority of people locally not wanting TWP 474; yet, Council votes for it anyway. This is the same as the Province not listening about the Bighorn. This money could be spent in better places.

Pamela Schuab asked with the Bighorn Proposal how would the identified and future historical places be affected?

Nolan Osbeck spoke to TWP 474. He has been attending council meetings for several years and has watched and heard Mr. Ekstrom petitioned for it. He feels if someone has put that much effort into it over 30 years, it should be built. He does not see why it should be stalled by inflated expenses and environment studies. He doesn't believe the reasons given for not building it. This Council has voted to go ahead with the project and he thinks they should continue with it.

Allan Taylor commented on the accident on Hwy 616 and asked: Does the County have rules for chasing cattle? What happened over this accident? Why is it being kept "hush hush"? What are you hiding? He further questioned Council's FCM costs that did not show up on their per diem reports.

Reeve B. Guyon closed the Public Input Session at 11:22 a.m.

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 11:22 a.m. and the meeting resumed at 11:37 a.m.

**GENERAL  
MATTERS**

**Bighorn Country Proposal**

Discussion continued regarding the format for the evening public input session.



Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 12:12 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 12:47 p.m.

**CLOSED  
SESSION**

**Closed Session**

**0024/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund that the regular Council Meeting of January 15, 2019 proceed into 'closed session' at 12:48 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

- a) Questions from Les Huber *FOIP Section 17*
- b) Recreation Cost Sharing Agreement - Drayton Valley *FOIP Section 21*

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

L. Chambers, Director of Community Services joined the closed session at 1:05 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Recreation Cost Sharing Agreement - Drayton Valley *FOIP Section 21*.

**0025/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council meeting of January 15, 2019 come out of 'closed session' at 2:03 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 2:04 p.m. to allow the public adequate time to return to the meeting and the meeting resumed at 2:13 p.m.

**0026/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund to direct Administration to prepare the answers to Mr. Huber as discussed in closed session.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**0027/19-01-15** Moved by H. Swan to approve the aquatics committee new terms of reference.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**0028/19-01-15** Moved by D. Wiltse to approve the 2019 Cost Sharing Agreement for Recreation with Drayton Valley for a total of \$1,036,000.00.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**GENERAL  
MATTERS**

**Bighorn Country Proposal**

Discussion continued on the evening public input session and how to reach out to other municipalities regarding Council's concerns with the consequences of the Bighorn Country Proposal.



**0029/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to direct Administration to develop a Bighorn PLUZ action plan for Brazeau County by February 5, 2019.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Reeve B. Guyon called for a break at 3:11 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 3:24 p.m.

## **CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS**

### **Correspondence/Items for Information**

#### **Alberta Transportation regarding Highway 621 Improvements**

**0030/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information correspondence from Alberta Transportation.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **Drayton Valley Mayor Doerksen regarding Support for Bighorn Country Proposal**

**0031/19-01-15** Moved by H. Swan to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **Minister of Seniors and Housing regarding Seniors Service Awards**

**0032/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **County of Wetaskiwin Support of Opposition in the Provincial Bighorn Proposal**

**0033/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

### **Councillor Reports**

Reeve B. Guyon reported that he attended:

- Chamber of Commerce Leduc
- Urban Development Institute Awards
- Aviation Council of Alberta
- Regular Council Meeting
- Community Foundation
- Joint Meeting with Leduc County
- Remembrance Day Services - no charge
- Budget Meeting x 6
- Mayors and Reeves Meeting
- RMA Convention - 3 days
- Joint Meeting Town of Drayton Valley





- ASB
- Vivian Krause Presentation
- Phone Discussions with Chief of Staff Environment

Councillor S. Wheale reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting
- Joint Meeting with Leduc County
- Budget Meeting x 6
- RMA Conference 3 days
- ASB

Councillor A. Heinrich reported that he attended:

- Recreation Meeting
- Regular Council Meeting
- MPC
- Recreation meeting
- Joint Meeting with Leduc County
- Budget Meetings x 6
- RMA Conference 3 days
- Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley
- MPC
- ASB

Councillor K. Westerlund reported that she attended:

- ALUS
- Regular Council Meeting
- SDAB Training
- Drayton valley Community Foundation Awards - no charge
- Joint Meeting with Leduc County
- Meeting with Airport Group - no charge
- Budget Meeting x 6
- Joint Meeting Town of Drayton Valley
- Santa's Workshop - no charge
- Eleanor Pickup Arts Center Board Meeting
- Light Up Christmas Parade - no charge

Councillor H. Swan reported that she attended:

- Regular Council Meeting
- MPC
- Joint Meeting with Leduc County
- Budget Meeting x 6
- WCAS
- RMA 3 days
- Joint Meeting Drayton Valley
- MPC



➤ **Physician Recruitment Meeting**

**Councillor M. Gressler reported that he attended:**

- **Recreation Meeting**
- **Regular Council Meeting**
- **SDAB Training**
- **Joint Recreational Meeting**
- **Leduc County Joint Meeting**
- **Budget Meeting x 6**
- **RMA Conference 3 days**
- **EOP Course**
- **Joint Meeting Drayton Valley**

**Councillor D. Wiltse reported that she attended:**

- **Ag Food Business Conference**
- **Library Board Workshop Red Deer - no charge**
- **Yellowhead Library Organizational Meeting**
- **Regular Council Meeting**
- **MPC**
- **Presentation to Beresowskis for 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - no charge**
- **Grant Recipient Luncheon - no charge**
- **Budget Meeting x 6**
- **Mayors and Reeves Meeting**
- **RMA - 3 days**
- **Joint Meeting Drayton Valley**

**Councillor Reports for December**

**Reeve B. Guyon reported that he attended:**

- **Joint Council Meeting**
- **Council Meeting and Vivian Krause Event**
- **Vivian Krause**
- **Mental Health Breton**
- **Preventing Abuse Theme Breakfast**
- **ALUS Edmonton**
- **NSWA**
- **Hemp Launch**
- **Council Budget Meeting**

**Councillor S. Wheale reported that she attended:**

- **Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley and Clearwater County**
- **Regular Council Meeting x 2**
- **Vivian Krause Event**
- **Pool Meeting**
- **Budget Meeting**



- ASB
- Breton Library

Councillor A. Heinrich reported that he attended:

- Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley and Clearwater County
- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Vivian Krause Event
- Rural Mental Health
- Joint Recreation Meeting
- Budget Meeting
- ASB
- MPC
- Recreation Meeting with the Town

Councillor K. Westerlund reported that she attended:

- Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley and Clearwater County
- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Budget Meeting
- Vivian Krause Event

Councillor H. Swan reported that she attended:

- Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley and Clearwater County
- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Vivian Krause Event
- Rural Mental Health Breton
- Cynthia Community Meeting - no charge
- WCAS Meeting
- Budget Meeting
- MPC

Councillor M. Gressler reported that he attended:

- Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley and Clearwater County
- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- EPBR Meeting
- FCSS Board Meeting
- Ad Hoc Rec Meeting
- Aquatic Meeting
- Budget Meeting
- Ad Hoc Rec Meeting

Councillor D. Wiltse reported that she attended:

- Joint Meeting with Drayton Valley and Clearwater County
- Regular Council Meeting x 2
- Library Board meeting
- Library Board Christmas Open House - no charge



- Rural Mental Health Dinner
- Hemp Alliance Meeting
- Budget Meeting
- MPC

**0034/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to accept the Councillors' Reports for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**MEETING DATES**

**Ratification of Meeting with Senator Patti Laboucane-Benson January 8, 2019**

**0035/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to ratify Council's attendance at the meeting with Senator Patti Labourcane-Benson for January 8, 2019 and allow Administration to coordinate a possible submission to the Senator regarding Bill C-69.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Community Generation Roadshow 2019**

**0036/19-01-15** Moved by K. Westerlund to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Smart Cities Challenges Strategy February 5, 2019**

**0037/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to receive for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Ratification of Reeve's Speaking Engagements**

**0038/19-01-15** Moved by M. Gressler to ratify the Reeve's speaking engagement at the Rally and subsequent media interviews.

**IN FAVOUR**

- A. Heinrich
- H. Swan
- B. Guyon
- K. Westerlund
- D. Wiltse
- M. Gressler

**OPPOSED**

- S. Wheale

**CARRIED**

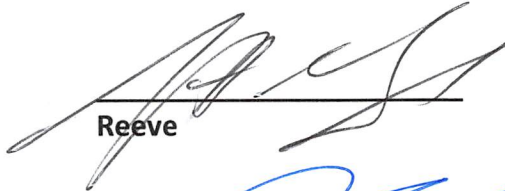


**ADJOURNMENT**

**0039/19-01-15**

Moved by M. Gressler that the regular Council Meeting of January 15, 2019 adjourn at 3:48 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



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**Reeve**



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**Chief Administrative Officer**