

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
FOR WESTLOCK COUNTY HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS AT THE LOCAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN
WESTLOCK ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2014**

Members
Present

In attendance were Reeve Bud Massey, Deputy Reeve Jim Wiese; Councillors Mel Kroetsch and Dennis Primeau; Interim County Administrator Rick McDonald and Acting Executive Assistant Laurie Strutt.

Roy Lidgren, Interim Director of Operations, Peggy Hardinge, Manager of Finance & Administration and Sue Oberg, Assistant CAO, were present at the Meeting.

Reeve Bud Massey called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Adopted
#357/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That the Agenda be adopted, as presented.

Carried 4-0

Minutes Adopted
#358/14

Councillor Dennis Primeau: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held July 22, 2014, be adopted as presented.

Carried 4-0

BUSINESS FROM THE MINUTES:

Oiling Roads at
Westview Estates &
Willow Lane
359/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That the Transportation Department continue with the oiling of all roads within Westview Estates and Willow Lane.

Carried 4-0

Cori Timmerman and Jorge Aviles from TAMA Transmission entered the Meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Defer Rehabilitation
of TWP Rd. 602
360/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That the rehabilitation of TWP Rd. 602 be deferred and the allocated funds be transferred to the Road Repair Projects for TWP Rd. 612, TWP Rd. 585 and Oiling of the Subdivision Streets.

Carried 4-0

Dee Wilton entered the Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Presentation
From TAMA
Transmission

Cori Timmerman and Jorge Aviles from TAMA Transmission made a presentation to Council regarding the Fort McMurray Transmission Project.

Cori Timmerman and Jorge Aviles left the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. From Alberta Municipal Affairs information regarding the Safety Codes Act.
2. From CN, dated June 30, 2014 information regarding Building Stronger Safer Communities.
3. From Westlock Libraries dated July 29, 2014, a copy of a letter sent to Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting support for amending the formula for calculating public library support.

4. From Research and Innovation, Tourism Division, dated July 10, 2014, information regarding the Tourism Investment Forum scheduled for November 5, 2014.
5. From Westlock & District Agricultural Society, an invitation to the Westlock Parade and VIP Luncheon.

Councillor Mel Kroetsch will attend the parade and luncheon.
Councillor Ron Zadunayski will attend the luncheon.

6. From Canada Post, dated July 24, 2014, an update regarding the vacant Postmaster position in Vimy.
7. From Richard DeSmet, an e-mail received on July 22, 2014, regarding an incident at the Half Moon Lake Natural Area.
8. From Jeff Johnson, Minister of Education, dated July 30, 2014, a request for assistance in obtaining municipal permits for school additions.
9. From Soul Sisters Memorial Foundation, a request for sponsorship to support suicide awareness & mental health programs.

Dale Jorwasky entered the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Westlock & District
Agricultural Society
VIP Luncheon
#361/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Administration prepare a letter of apology to the Westlock & District Agricultural Society in regards to the lack of Westlock County participation at the parade and luncheon.

Carried 4-0

Letter from Richard
DeSmet
362/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Administration prepare a letter to Robin Campbell, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, including Mr. Richard DeSmet's concerns. A letter will also be sent to Mr. DeSmet advising him that Westlock County has contacted the Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development

Carried 4-0

Correspondence
#363/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Council accept the correspondence for information as presented.

Carried 4-0

Westlock Library
364/14

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Westlock Library refer their request to the Yellowhead Regional Library Board.

Carried 4-0

Accounts for
Payment
#365/14

Deputy Reeve Jim Wiese That the Accounts for Payment in the amount of \$1,226,179.23 be approved for payment.

Carried 4-0

Reeve Massey recessed the Meeting at 10:50 a.m.

The Meeting reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Matt Pohl from 97.9 The Range entered the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

SW 03-60-27-W4 The property owner of SW 03-60-27-W4 has submitted an application to amend the County's Municipal Development Plan and Land Use By-law to allow for the subdivision of one 5 acre (+/-) country residential parcel.

Bylaw #19/14
1st Reading
#366/14 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Bylaw No. 19-2014 receive first reading.
Carried 4-0

Bylaw #20/14
1st reading
367/14 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Bylaw No. 20-2014 receive first reading.
Carried 4-0

NE 35-58-27-W4 The property owner of NE 35-58-27-W4 has submitted an application to amend the County's Municipal Development Plan and Land Use By-law to allow for the subdivision of one 3 acre (+/-) country residential parcel.

Bylaw #21/14
1st reading
368/14 **Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** That Bylaw No. 21-2014 receive first reading.
Carried 3-1

Bylaw #22/14
1st reading
369/14 **Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** That Bylaw No. 22-2014 receive first reading.
Carried 3-1

NE 24-63-01-W5 The property owner has submitted a request to close the statutory road allowance on NE 24-63-01-W5 and provide to the County the equivalent amount of land from the NW 22-63-27-W4. The land on the west side of the statutory road allowance would then be consolidated with the NE 24-63-01-W5.

Dee Wilton requested permission to address Council, Reeve Bud Massey asked Council if this would be acceptable to them and all of the Councillors agreed.

Dee Wilton spoke of her request to close the road allowance.

Road Closure
Request Deferred
#370/14 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Council defer the application to close the statutory road allowance on NE 24-63-01-W5 to the August 26, 2014 Council Meeting.
Carried 4-0

Dee Wilton and Dale Jorwasky left the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Subdivision and
Appeal Board Westlock County has advertised for recruitment to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) for new members to act as Alternate Board Members.

Appointment of
Members to the
Subdivision and
Appeal Board
#371/14 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Council appoint Howard Ringstad as a Board Member for the Subdivision and Appeal Board and appoint Carol Wolff and Matt Haisan as Alternate Board Members for the Subdivision and Appeal Board.
Carried 4-0

In Camera
#372/14 **Councillor Dennis Primeau:** That the Meeting go In Camera at 11:35 a.m. to discuss a land issue and Interim County Administrator Rick McDonald, Acting Executive Assistant Laurie Strutt, Interim Director of Operations Roy Lidgren, Manager of Finance & Administration, Peggy Hardinge, and Assistant CAO, Sue Oberg shall remain in the Meeting.

Carried 4-0

Conference Call Interim County Administrator Rick McDonald, Acting Executive Assistant Laurie Strutt, Interim Director of Operations Roy Lidgren, Manager of Finance & Administration Peggy Hardinge and Assistant CAO Sue Oberg left the Meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Interim County Administrator Rick McDonald returned to the Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting #373/14 **Councillor Dennis Primeau:** That Council return to the Regular Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Carried 4-0

Interim-Operating Agreement Westlock Municipal Airport #374/14 **Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** That Administration negotiate an Interim Operating Agreement for the Westlock Regional Municipal Airport with the Town of Westlock.

Carried 4-0

Runway Repairs at the Municipal Airport #375/14 **Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** That Administration be authorized to proceed with emergency repairs to the runway at the Westlock Airport utilizing Airport Reserve Funds.

Carried 4-0

Speed Limit Industrial Park 376/14 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Administration write a letter to the Minister of Alberta Transportation with a copy to MLA Maureen Kubinec, requesting that the speed limit be reduced to 80 Km per hour south of the Town of Westlock on Highway 44 to the south boundary of the Westlock County Industrial Park.

Carried 4-0

Adjourn #377/14 **Councillor Dennis Primeau:** That the meeting be adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Carried 4-0

Reeve

Administrator