

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, FEBRUARY 10, 2015

Members Present

In attendance were Reeve Bud Massey; Deputy Reeve Don Savage; Councillors Ron Zadunayski, Albert St. Louis, Jim Wiese and Mel Kroetsch; Administrator Peter Kelly and Executive Assistant Cary Mueller.

Sue Oberg, Assistant County Administrator was present at the Meeting.

Chester Cunningham was present at the Meeting.

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

Chester Cunningham was present at the Meeting.

Special Announcements:

Reeve Massey introduced Chester Cunningham, a former recipient of the Alberta Order of Excellence in 1970 and the Canadian Order of Excellence in 1964. Mr. Cunningham shared some of his experiences with those present.

Minutes Adopted #039/15

Councillor Don Savage: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held January 27, 2015 be adopted as amended:

- Resolution # 036/15 should read Councillor Albert St. Louis and not Councillor Jim Wiese.

Carried 6-0

Additions and/or deletions to the Agenda:

Add:

12.1 Legal Opinion from Brownlee LLP

Agenda Adopted #040/15

Councillor Ron Zadunayski: That the Agenda be adopted, as amended.

Carried 6-0

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) From RCMP K Division, an invitation to set up an appointment to meet with representatives at the AAMDC Spring Convention.

RCMP Invitation #041/15

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Council decline the invitation from the RCMP K Division to meet at the AAMDC Spring Convention as there are no outstanding issues and Council feels there is a very good relationship with the local RCMP detachment,

Carried 6-0

- b) From Paula Campbell, Alberta Transportation, a response to our letter regarding Westlock County Industrial Park.

- c) From Pam Dodds, Alberta Transportation, an invitation to set up an appointment to meet with representatives at the AAMDC Spring Convention.

Delay Decision re
Invitation from Alta.
Transportation
#042/15

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Council defer their decision regarding the invitation from Alberta Transportation to meet at the AAMDC Spring Convention, to the February 24, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council.

Carried 6-0

Laurie Strutt, Manager of Planning & Development Services entered the Meeting at 9:18 a.m.

Rescind Policy
#12.03
#043/15

Councillor Don Savage: That Policy No. 12.03 which was approved at the December 9, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council, be rescinded as the number was duplicated.

Carried 6-0

Approve Policy
#12.04
#044/15

Councillor Don Savage: That Council approve Policy No. 12.04 Construction Permits Fee Schedule.

Carried 6-0

Manager Laurie Strutt left the Meeting at 9:23 a.m.

Pembina River
District 3
Membership
#045/15

Councillor Ron Zadunayski: That Council authorize the Pembina River District 3 Membership for 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

Carried 6-0

Councillor Albert St. Louis left the Meeting at 9:27 a.m. for personal business.

GROWTH Alberta
Membership
#046/15

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Council authorize the 2015 GROWTH Alberta Membership for \$7,644.00.

Carried 5-0

MLA Maureen Kubinec entered the Meeting at 9:28 a.m.

Councillor Albert St. Louis returned to the Meeting at 9:29 a.m.

MLA Maureen Kubinec, Minister of Culture, Sports & Recreation, presented Council with information regarding the upcoming 2015 Provincial Budget.

Bill Mills, Director of Operations entered the Meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Maureen Kubinec left the Meeting at 10:29 a.m.

Reeve Massey recessed the Meeting at 10:29 a.m.

The Meeting reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Utilities Bylaw
No. 03-2015
1st Reading
#047/15

Councillor Don Savage: That Bylaw No. 03-2015, that being a Bylaw of Westlock County to provide for the levying and collecting of water, sewer and solid garbage waste collection rates and charges to users of those services supplied by Westlock County, receive first reading.

Carried 6-0

Bylaw No. 03-2015
2nd Reading
#048/15

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Bylaw No. 03-2015 be given second reading.

Carried 6-0

Kirk Pollard entered the Meeting at 10:44 a.m.

Consent for 3rd
Reading
#049/15

Councillor Don Savage: That consent be given for Bylaw No. 03-2015 to receive third reading and be finally passed.

Carried Unanimously 6-0

Bylaw #03/2015
3rd Reading
#050/15

Councillor Ron Zadunayski: That Bylaw No. 03-2015 receive third reading and be finally passed.

Carried 6-0

Policy 9.19
Utility Rates
#051/15

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Council approve Policy No. 9.19 Fee Schedule for Utility Rates and Services.

Councillor St. Louis requested a recorded vote.

Yay: Councillor Jim Wiese
Councillor Mel Kroetsch
Councillor Don Savage
Reeve Bud Massey

Nay: Councillor Albert St. Louis
Councillor Ron Zadunayski

Carried 4-2

Rescind Bylaw
No. 15-1996
#052/15

Councillor Don Savage: That Bylaw No. 15-1996 – Residential Assessment Classes, be rescinded.

Carried 6-0

Amend Policy # 5.13
#053/15

Councillor Ron Zadunayski: That Council amend Policy No. 5.13 – Reserves & Allowances.

Carried 6-0

Manager Laurie Strutt returned to the Meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Public Hearing
NE 16-59-26W4

Council conducted a Public Hearing regarding an application to amend Policy 5.0 of Westlock County's Municipal Development Plan Bylaw No. 18-2003 and Westlock County's Land Use Bylaw No. 19-2003 to rezone from Agricultural A(1) to Agricultural A (2) on NE 16-59-26W4.

Kirk Pollard, the applicant was present for this Hearing.

Bylaw 01/15
2nd Reading
#054/15

Councillor Albert St., Louis: That Bylaw No. 01-2015 receive second reading.

Carried 5-1

- Bylaw #01/15
3rd Reading
#055/15 **Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** That Bylaw No. 01-2015 receive third reading and be finally passed.
Carried 5-1
- Kirk Pollard left the Meeting at 11:13 a.m.
- Manager Laurie Strutt left the Meeting at 11:13 a.m.
- Bylaw #04/15
1st Reading
#056/15 **Councillor Don Savage:** That Bylaw No. 04-2015, that being a Bylaw of Westlock County to provide for a special levy to pay for a portion of the cost of repairs and maintenance for certain water and sewer distribution systems, be given first reading.
Carried 5-1
- Bylaw #04/15
2nd Reading
#057/15 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Bylaw No. 04-2015 receive second reading.
Carried 5-1
- Consent for 3rd
Reading
#058/15 **Councillor Don Savage:** That consent be given for Bylaw No. 04-2015 to receive third reading and be finally passed.
Carried Unanimously 6-0
- Bylaw #04/15
3rd Reading
#059/15 **Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** That Bylaw No. 04-2015 receive third reading and be finally passed.
Carried 5-1
- Northern Alberta
Mayors' & Reeves'
#060/15 **Councillor Don Savage:** That Council authorize the Northern Alberta Mayors' & Reeves' Caucus Membership for 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.
Carried 6-0
- Hope Resource
Funding
#061/15 **Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** That Council authorize funding for the Hope Resource Centre for 2015 in the amount of \$10,000.00.
Carried 6-0
- Alberta Trail Net
Funding
#062/15 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** That Council authorize 2015 funding to the Alberta Trail Net for the amount of \$5,000.00 less the amount of the insurance premium for the Landing Trail Bridge.
Carried 6-0
- STARS Funding
#063/15 **Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** That Council authorize 2015 funding for STARS in the amount of \$7,644.00
Carried 6-0
- Amended 2015
Capital Budget
#064/15 **Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** That Council accept the 3rd Draft of the 2015 Capital Budget dated February 5, 2015, as amended.
Carried 6-0
- Accounts for
Payment
#065/15 **Councillor Don Savage:** That the Accounts for Payment in the amount of \$589,220.18 be approved for payment.
Carried 6-0

Reeve Massey recessed the Meeting at 11:50 a.m. to meet with Minister of Transportation, Wayne Drysdale.

The Meeting reconvened at 1:48 p.m.

2015 Operating
Budget
#066/15

Councillor Jim Wiese: That Council accept the 2015 Operating Budget as amended.

Carried 6-0

Legal Opinion
#067/15

Councillor Mel Kroetsch: That Council accept the legal opinion from Brownlee LLP regarding Council procedures and MGA violation, for information as presented.

Carried 6-0

In Camera
#068/15

Councillor Don Savage: That the Meeting go In Camera at 1:55 p.m. to discuss legal and land issues and CAO Peter Kelly and Executive Assistant Cary Mueller shall remain in the meeting.

Carried 6-0

Regular Meeting
#069/15

Councillor Mel Kroetsch: That Council return to the Regular Meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Carried 7-0

Reeve Massey adjourned the Meeting at 2:57 p.m.

Reeve

Administrator