

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF WESTLOCK
COUNTY, HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE COUNTY
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN WESTLOCK ON TUESDAY,
JANUARY 24, 2017**

Members Present

Don Savage
Bud Massey
Ron Zadunayski
Albert St. Louis
Mel Kroetsch
Raymond Marquette
Denis Primeau

Members Absent

Reeve
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Councillor
Deputy Reeve
Councillor

Staff Present

Leo Ludwig	Chief Administrative Officer
Diane Urkow	Director of Corporate Services
Al Scott	Director of Infrastructure
Laurie Strutt	Director of Planning and Community Services
Lisa Germann	Executive Assistant

Call to Order:

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

Special Community Announcements:

Reeve Savage announced, the gym at Tawatinaw had a delegation of gymnasts from China and we exchanged flags with the group and it is signed by all the Athletes.

Adoption of Agenda:

#015/17 MOVED by Councillor Zadunayski; that Council adopt the Agenda as presented.

Carried 7-0

Adoption of Minutes:

#016/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; that the Minutes of the December 13, 14, 15, 16, 19 and 22, 2016 Budget Committee Meetings be approved as presented.

Carried 7-0

#017/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; that the Minutes of the January 10, 2017 Council Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried 7-0

#018/17 MOVED by Councillor Zadunayski; that the Minutes of the December 22, 2016 Special Council Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried 7-0

Initial *RM* Initial *AL*

Unfinished Business: None

Public Participation: None

Director of Planning and Community Services Monthly Report:

#019/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; that Council accept the monthly report from the Director of Planning and Community Services as presented.

Carried 7-0

Director of Infrastructure Monthly Report:

#020/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau; that Council accept the monthly report from the Director of Infrastructure as presented.

Carried 7-0

9:55 Members of the public entered the meeting.

9:55 a.m. Dean Litke & Michael Botros of AB Transportation entered the meeting.

2017 Operating Budget:

Reeve Savage recessed Operating Budget discussions at 10:00 a.m.

Appointments:

Alberta Transportation

Reeve Savage welcomed Dean Litke and Michael Botros from Alberta Transportation. The following items were discussed: Highway 44 and speed limit and turning lane options at County industrial park entrance; Twp Road 590 Paving as a resource road; construction activity on Highway 18 from Clyde to County border; high-tension cables (HTC) as guardrails; paving of Highway #661 from Highway #776 west to County boundary.

10:20 a.m. Dean Litke & Michael Botros of AB Transportation left the meeting.

The Meeting recessed at 10:22 a.m.

Reeve Savage reconvened the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

2017 Operating Budget:

#021/17 MOVED by Councillor Bud Massey; that the 2017 Operating Budget be approved as circulated.

Councillor Bud Massey requested a recorded vote;

For: Councillor Ron Zadunayski, Councillor Albert St. Louis, Councillor Dennis Primeau, Deputy Reeve Ray Marquette and Reeve Don Savage.

Against: Councillor Bud Massey and Councillor Mel Kroetsch.

Carried 5-2

Initial  Initial 

Director of Corporate Services Monthly Report

#022/17 MOVED by Councillor Albert St. Louis that Council accept the monthly report from the Director of Corporate Services.

Carried 7-0

10:50 Member of Public Max Yaremko entered the meeting.

Borrowing Bylaw #17-2016 – Fawcett Fire Hall

Diane Urkow, Director of Corporate Services, reported that Bylaw #17-2016 had been advertised after first reading pursuant to the Municipal Government Act and that no responses to the advertisement had been received.

#023/17 MOVED by Councillor Albert St. Louis that Council give second reading to Bylaw #17-2016, a borrowing bylaw for the construction of the Fawcett Fire Hall.

Carried 6-1

#024/17 MOVED by Councillor Ron Zadunayski that Council give third reading to Bylaw #17-2016, a borrowing bylaw for the construction of the Fawcett Fire Hall.

Carried 6-1

Borrowing Bylaw #01-2017 – Purchase of Five Motor Graders

Diane Urkow, Director of Corporate Services, reported that the nature of this borrowing bylaw does not require advertising pursuant to the Municipal Government Act and that Council is in a position to consider all three readings of this bylaw in one meeting should they wish to do so.

#025/17 MOVED by Councillor Zadunayski that Council give first reading to Bylaw #01-2017, a borrowing bylaw for the purchase of five motor graders.

Carried 6-1

#026/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette that Council give second reading to Bylaw #01-2017, a borrowing bylaw for the purchase of five motor graders.

Carried 6-1

#027/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau that Council agree to consider all three readings of Bylaw #01-2017 in one meeting.

Carried Unanimously 7-0

#028/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau that Council give third reading to Bylaw #01-2017, a borrowing bylaw for the purchase of five motor graders.

Carried 6-1

Tanya and Darren Michelczuk entered the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

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Chief Administrative Officer's Monthly Report

#029-17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; that Council accept the monthly report from the Chief Administrative Officer.

Carried 7-0

Fortis Alberta Inc. – Proposal to Modify County Streetlights to LED Fixtures

#030/17 MOVED by Councillor Zadunayski; that Council approve the proposal from Fortis Alberta Inc. for the conversion of County streetlights to LED lamp fixtures.

Carried 7-0

11:00 a.m. Public Hearing – Rezoning Bylaw 16-2016:

Reeve Savage opened the public hearing at 11:00 a.m.

Max Yaremko is for the rezoning.

Tanya Michalczuk is for the rezoning.

Reeve Savage asked if there are any members of the public that would like to speak for or against the Rezoning Bylaw #16-2016.

#031/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; that the Public Hearing by Closed.

Rezoning Bylaw 16-2016

#032/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; that Council give second reading to Bylaw #16-2016, to amend Bylaw 04-2016 for a portion of NW 32-59-25 W-4 and Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 082-8775 in the NW 32-59-25 W-4 from Agricultural (AG) District to Highway Commercial (HC) District.

#033/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau; that Council give third and final reading to Bylaw #16-2016, to amend Bylaw 04-2016 for a portion of NW 32-59-25 W-4 and Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 082-8775 in the NW 32-59-25 W-4 from Agricultural (AG) District to Highway Commercial (HC) District.

Max Yaremko, Tanya and Darren Michelczuk left the meeting at 11.07 a.m.

In-Camera:

#034-17 MOVED by Councillor St. Louis; at 11:13 a.m., that the meeting go in-camera, and that the Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Corporate Services, Director of Infrastructure, Director of Planning and Community Services, and the Executive Assistant remain in the meeting.

Carried 7-0

Open Session:

#035/17 MOVED by Deputy Reeve Marquette; at 12:07 p.m. that the meeting revert to an open session.

Carried 7-0

Initial  Initial 

Request for Waiver of Development Fee Penalty:

#036/17 MOVED by Councillor Zadunayski; that Council refund the penalty applied to the Development Permit Application as outlined in the in-camera report.

Carried 6-1

Tawatinaw Ski Hill Lease Operating Agreement:

#037/17 MOVED by Councillor Zadunayski; that Council approve, in-principle, proceeding with Option #1 to September 30, 2018 regarding the Tawatinaw Ski Facility Operator's Agreement as outlined in the in-camera report.

Carried 7-0

Adjournment

#038/17 MOVED by Councillor Primeau, at 12:30 p.m. that the meeting adjourn.

Carried 7-0



Don Savage, Reeve

Ray Marquette
Deputy Reeve



Leo Ludwig, CAO