

**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, NOVEMBER 24, 2015**

Members Present

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

Sue Oberg, Assistant County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer, Bill Mills, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure.

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

**Special Community Announcements:**

- Reeve Bud Massey announced that there was the Annual Westlock Light up Parade on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December. Westlock County entered with a Nativity Scene Float put together by some Council Members and Employees on volunteer time.
- Councillor Ron Zadunayski also entered the parade on behalf of the County with a Santa Christmas theme decorated pick-up truck.
- Councillor Ron Zadunayski extended a 'Thank you' to CAO Peter Kelly and Reeve Bud Massey for running behind the float to hand out candy to all of the kids.
- Reeve Bud Massey made an announcement of upcoming Staff Christmas parties and encouraged as many staff and Council members to attend. It was also noted that many Council members are out and about participating in events and find it important to support the community.
- Reeve Bud Massey announced the Tri-Council Christmas party to be held December 13, 2015 at the newly renovated Tawatinaw Valley Ski Chalet.
- Reeve Bud Massey stated that it would be great if more Councillors would support the Bus Drivers' and go on a ride along, with them to examine the routes they take. The Bus Drivers' appreciate and want it.

Administrator Peter Kelly had asked that Council delete item 10.3 as they are not able to attend. Rescheduled for December 11, 2015.

Agenda Adopted as amended #391/15

**Councillor Albert St. Louis:** Moved that the agenda be adopted as amended:

Delete: 10.3 Planning and Development – LUB Committee appointment

Carried 7-0

Minutes Adopted #392/15

**Councillor Don Savage:** Moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held November 10, 2015 be adopted as presented.

Carried 7-0

**Business Arising From the Minutes:** Policy No. 8.05 Entrance Specifications, be changed that the County will not pay for culverts. A new policy will be drafted and taken to the next Policy and Bylaw Committee meeting, December 15, 2015.

Policy and Bylaw Meeting #393/15

**Councillor Jim Wiese:** Moved to have a Policy and Bylaw meeting in the afternoon, due to the cancellation of the LUB appointment as Council was prepared to be there for a full day.

Carried 7-0

**Public Participation:**

The First Resident approached Council and expressed a couple areas of concern; the first one regarding grading and maintenance of the roads in his area of the Summer Village of Larkspur. He feels there are many ruts in the roads and there was a roll over vehicle accident not too long ago and doesn't want to anyone get seriously injured and would like to see something done to make the roads better and safer to drive on. His second area of concern that he raised was regarding the signage at the end of rural driveways, wondering what they are used for. He was informed that they are used for rural addresses and mainly for the emergency response vehicles such as fire, police and ambulance. At this point his residence does not have one and he was also concerned with neighbors who didn't have one. His information was given to the Director of Public Works Bill Mills and this issue will be dealt with right away.

The Second Resident approached Council with concerns of the same nature. He said his road was washed out and feels like they're in terrible driving conditions. He called the County office to ask if something could be done before the cold snap, since then, his ty-rod busted and has cost him money. He indicated that he does not expect the County to pay for this, but would like regular maintenance of the roads. This resident also had a second concern of dust control, as he has asthma and is worried about the impact of dust on his health.

The Third Resident to address Council with concerns was also regarding the Summer Village of Larkspur, Hwy 801 and TWP 630. He indicated that they need to be cleaned up as they are a hazard.

Reeve Massey indicated that these are issues that have been being dealt with and they are right.

The Fourth Resident to speak to Council indicated he was following up on a bridge issue that he had raised concerns with Council at the last Council meeting. Public Works has started the project and that was recognized by the resident he just wanted to know what the next step was and what to expect. The Resident also raised a concern on behalf of a family member who was unable to make it to the Council meeting. The concern was regarding a grader that was working on his road and used his driveway to turn around and not complete the road. Wasn't sure what was going on, but felt that the work on the road wasn't complete and needed to be addressed.

Member of the Public left the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

**Consideration of Deferred Business:** None

**Public Hearings:** None

**Correspondence:**

- Council received a letter from the Summer Village of Larkspur, dated November 12, 2015 regarding a Lake Study.

**Councillor Albert St. Louis:** Stated that he is sure that there was a study done approximately 20 years ago.

Long Island Lake  
Study  
#394/15

**Councillor Mel Kroetsch:** Moved to have administration enquire if a previous Long Island Lake study has been completed and to discuss with the Summer Village of Larkspur what resources they have for funding.

Carried 7-0

Jacolyn Tigert entered the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

- Council received a Memorandum of Agreement from WRWM dated November 7, 2001.

WRWM  
Memorandum  
#395/15

**Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** Moved that the Westlock Regional Waste Management Memorandum, be signed. Removing section 3e from the original Memorandum.

Carried 7-0

Pickardville Lagoon  
Disposal Bylaw 12-  
2015  
#396/15  
P/W Committee  
#397/15

**Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** Moved that Bylaw No. 12-2015 received third and final reading.

Carried 7-0

**Councillor Don Savage:** Moved to create a Public Works Committee and asked Administration develop the Terms of Reference and report back to Council.

Carried 6-1

Troy Grainger entered meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Manager of GROWTH, Troy Grainger gave Council an update on the projections, specs and indications of how they are growing and talked about the different companies that they get funding from and how the money is used and how it benefits our community.

Troy Grainger left the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

Doug from Westlock Library entered the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Westlock Library Representative came and gave a report on the library and how active they are in the community and explained the need for an increased budget for the upcoming year, hoping to have their donation increased by 1.5%.

Library Budget  
increase request  
#398/15

**Councillor Albert St. Louis:** Moved that the requested budget increase get referred to budget deliberations.

Carried 7-0

Doug left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Off-Highway Vehicle Bylaw #399/15 **Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Move that The Off-Highway vehicle Bylaw be tabled for now as per recommendation of the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee.

Carried 7-0

Planning and Development Director Laurie Strutt entered the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Laurie presented to Council a report update.

Planning and Development report #400/15 **Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved to accept report as information.

Carried 7-0

Utility Service Agreement #401/15 **Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** Moved to accept and sign the proposed changes to the Utility Service Agreement contract with the Village of Clyde.

Carried 7-0

Bill 6 #402/15 **Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** Moved to have administration write to the Province to seek additional rural meetings be held closer to rural residents who will be affected by Bill 6.

Carried 7-0

Capital Variance report #403/15 **Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved to accept the Capital Variance Report as of October 31, 2015.

Carried 7-0

Operating Variance Report #404/15 **Councillor Don Savage:** Moved to accept the Operating Variance Report as of October 31, 2015.

Councillor Jim Wiese left the room at 11:27 a.m. – 11:32 a.m. and did not vote.

Carried 6-0

Accounts for Payment. #405/15 **Councillor Don Savage:** Moved to receive and approve accounts for payments in the amount of \$536,481.85 for products purchased and services rendered and received as of November 19, 2015

Carried 7-0

Ray Cruise entered the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

In Camera #406/15 **Councillor Albert St. Louis:** Moved that the Meeting go in Camera at 11:47 a.m. to discuss land and legal issues. CAO Peter Kelly, and Executive Assistant Lisa Germann remain in the Meeting.

Carried 7-0

Regular Meeting #407/15 **Councillor Jim Wiese:** Moved that Council return to Regular Meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Carried 7-0

Councillor Albert St. Louis left meeting at 2:51 p.m.

Allocate funds for  
Bridge Creek file No.  
71038  
#408/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that the County allocate funds up to \$25,000 from the Contingency Reserve to get the Bridge Creek re-alignment finished, file No. 71038.

Carried 6-0

Allocate funds for  
TV Ski Hill  
#409/15

**Councillor Don Savage:** Moved that the County allocate \$75,000.00 from the Contingency Reserve to complete the work at Tawatinaw Valley Ski Hill for the 2015-16 season.

Carried 4-2

Councillor Jim Wiese has asked for a recorded vote;

<u>Yay</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Dennis	Jim
Don	Mel
Bud	
Ron	

**Councillor Don Savage:** Moved to approve the Minimum Bid Tax Sales as amended.

Carried 6-0

Recess Meeting  
#408/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that Council recess meeting until Wednesday November 25, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

Carried 6-0

Meeting Reconvened;  
Members Present

In attendance were Reeve Bud Massey; Councillors Mel Kroetsch, Dennis Primeau, Albert St. Louis and Ron Zadunayski, Administrator Peter Kelly and Executive Assistant Lisa Germann.

Sue Oberg, Assistant County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer  
Reeve Bud Massey called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. November 25, 2015

Airport Equipment  
#409/15

**Councillor Albert St. Louis:** Moved that the equipment for the Airport be approved for purchase as recommended in a memo dated November 2, 2015 from Kayle Mortenson in the amount of \$21,400.00 + GST

Carried 5-0

Councillor Jim Wiese entered the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

In Camera  
#410/15

**Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** Moved that the Meeting go in Camera at 12:13 p.m. to discuss land and legal issues. CAO Peter Kelly, Executive Assistant Lisa Germann and Jessica Toews remain in the Meeting.

Carried 6-0

Regular Meeting  
#411/15

**Councillor Albert St. Louis:** Moved that Council return to Regular Meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Carried 5-1

Recess Meeting  
#412/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that Council recess meeting until Thursday November 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Carried 6-0

Meeting Reconvened;  
Members Present

In attendance were Reeve Bud Massey; Councillors Mel Kroetsch, Dennis Primeau, Albert St. Louis and Ron Zadunayski, Administrator Peter Kelly and Executive Assistant Lisa Germann.

Sue Oberg, Assistant County Administrator/Chief Financial Officer  
Reeve Bud Massey called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

In Camera  
#413/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that the Meeting go in Camera at 7:13 p.m. to discuss land and legal issues. CAO Peter Kelly, Executive Assistant Lisa Germann and Jessica Toews remain in the Meeting.

Carried 6-0

Regular Meeting  
#414/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that Council return to Regular Meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Carried 6-0

Approval of lease and  
purchase of TV Ski  
Hill  
#415/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that Council approve in principle a 3 year lease with option to purchase in year 3, pending final viewing.

Carried 4-2

Councillor Jim Wiese requested a recorded vote,

Yay	Nay
Dennis Primeau	Jim Wiese
Ron Zadunayski	Albert St. Louis
Bud Massey	
Mel Kroetsch	

Allow interim access  
to ski hill  
#416/15

**Councillor Ron Zadunayski:** Moved to allow interim access to the Tawatinaw Valley Ski Hill to prepare for the 2015-16 ski season, pending insurance as per draft lease and bring forward to next Regular Meeting of Council December 8, 2015.

Carried 4-2

Councillor Jim Wiese requested a recorded vote,

Yay	Nay
Dennis Primeau	Jim Wiese
Ron Zadunayski	Albert St. Louis
Bud Massey	
Mel Kroetsch	

Adjourn Meeting  
#417/15

**Councillor Dennis Primeau:** Moved that the Meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Carried 6-0

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Reeve

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Administrator