

**LAC LA BICHE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MCARTHUR PLACE, LAC LA BICHE**

June 8, 2021 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of the Lac La Biche County Regular Council Meeting held June 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

In accordance with the Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation, Lac La Biche County Council held this meeting electronically.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Moghrabi called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

PRESENT

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| Omer Moghrabi | Mayor |
| Jason Stedman | Councillor/Deputy Mayor |
| Sterling Johnson | Councillor (<i>Participated electronically</i>) |
| Colette Borgun | Councillor |
| Darlene Beniuk | Councillor |
| Charlyn Moore | Councillor |
| Colin Cote | Councillor |
| Lorin Tkachuk | Councillor |
| George L'Heureux | Councillor (<i>Joined at 10:31 a.m.</i>) |

**STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

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| Ken Van Buul | Chief Administrative Officer |
| Melanie McConnell | Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division |
| Dan Small | Associate CAO, Finance and Planning Division (<i>In part and participated in person and electronically</i>) |
| Darrell Lessmeister | Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division (<i>Participated electronically</i>) |
| Brian Shapka | Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services Division (<i>Participated electronically</i>) |
| Mackenzie Girard | CAO Executive Assistant (<i>Participated electronically</i>) |
| Danielle Patenaude | Legislative Services Coordinator |

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 21.446 MOVED
To adopt the June 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
Agenda as amended:
-Addition:
- Urgent Matter 5.1-Condemning the London,
Ontario attack on a Muslim family.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 3.1 Regular Council Meeting-June 1, 2021
- 21.447 MOVED
To adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes-June 1,
2021 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

URGENT MATTERS

- 5.1 Condemning the London, Ontario attack on a Muslim family-
Addition to the Agenda
- 21.448 MOVED
To direct Administration to publish a statement
condemning the London, Ontario attack on a Muslim
family.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

- 6.1 10:15 a.m. Delegation-Oil Sands Community Alliance (OSCA)-Oil
Sands Industry Update-Mr. Perry Berkenpas, Executive Director
and Ms. Shafak Sahid, Manager at OSCA

Mr. Perry Berkenpas, Executive Director, OSCA and Ms. Shafak Sahid,
Manager electronically co-presented an Oil Sands Industry Update to
Council and responded to questions.

Councillor Cote exited Council Chambers at 10:13 a.m. and returned at
the same time.

Councillor L'Heureux joined the meeting at 10:31 am.

6.1.1 Disposition of Delegation Business

21.449 MOVED

To thank Mr. Berkenpas and Ms. Sahid for their presentation on the Oil Sands Industry Update.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Councillor Reports

Councillor Johnson indicated that he had nothing to report since the last Regular Council Meeting.

Councillor Cote:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Conference
- Rural Plenary
- Healthy Waters Public Open House

Councillor Beniuk indicated that she had nothing to report since the last Regular Council Meeting.

Councillor L'Heureux:

- Shared condolences to the Muslim family that was attacked and perished in London, Ontario
- Inquiry regarding Canada Day Fireworks
- Thanked Mayor Moghrabi for his generous donation for the Lac La Biche Regional Health Board Foundation Meeting raffle

Councillor Borgun:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Conference
- Raised Community Garden opening-Plamondon
- Alberta Bilingual Municipalities Association (ABMA) Meeting
- COVID-19 Update from Alberta Health Services (AHS)
- Responded to calls regarding the closure of County Administration Buildings
- Responded to resident concerns regarding garbage collection

Councillor Moore:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Conference

Councillor Tkachuk:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Conference
- Shared accolades from other municipalities regarding access to broadband-Telus Fibre Project
- COVID-19 Update from Alberta Health Services (AHS)

- Alberta HUB Meeting
- Golf Tournament Meeting

Deputy Mayor Stedman:

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Conference
- Lac La Biche Regional Health Board Foundation Meeting

Mayor Moghrabi:

- Lac La Biche Regional Health Board Foundation Meeting
- Northern Alberta Development Council
- 215 Memorial-Buffalo Lake Metis Settlement
- Every Child Matters Walk-Hamlet of Lac La Biche
- Shared a reminder regarding the Metis Nation Association (MNA)- Region 1-Honour the 215 Children Memorial-Wednesday, June 9, 2021, Mission Historical Society
- Tender of Fire Truck
- Lac La Biche 4-H Club Beef Project Achievement Days
- Shared a reminder regarding the Airport Tour on Saturday, June 12, 2021, Hamlet of Lac La Biche

Councillor Beniuk exited Council Chambers at 10:52 a.m. and returned at the same time.

21.450

MOVED

To accept the Councillor Reports item as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Community Cemetery Improvement Program 2021-Funding Recommendations

Mr. Carl Kurppa, Grants and Community Funding Coordinator presented the Community Cemetery Improvement Program 2021-Funding Recommendations item and responded to questions.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Council Chambers at 11:19 a.m. and returned at 11:21 a.m.

Councillor L'Heureux exited Council Chambers at 11:20 a.m. and returned at 11:21 a.m.

21.451

MOVED

That Council approves the funding according to Administration's 2021 Community Cemetery Improvement Program recommendations, which totals \$41,800.00.

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| Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church Cemetery | \$6,000 |
| Grandin Cemetery | \$0 |
| Mission Cemetery | \$3,300 |
| Normandeu | \$10,000 |
| Fork Lake Cemetery | \$15,000 |
| Our Lady of the Snow Cemetery | \$7,500 |
| Pokrov Church of the St. Mother of God of Atmore | \$0 |

In Favour (3): Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote,
and Deputy Mayor Stedman

Opposed (6): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor
Borgun, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor
L'Heureux, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor
Johnson

DEFEATED

21.452

MOVED

To increase the funding for the Community Cemetery Improvement Program 2021 by \$23,220.25, with funding to come from accumulated surplus and to allocate funding as follows:

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| Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church Cemetery | \$11,346.25 |
| Grandin Cemetery | \$2,504 |
| Mission Cemetery | \$10,000 |
| Normandeau | \$10,646 |
| Fork Lake Cemetery | \$20,524 |
| Our Lady of the Snow Cemetery | \$10,000 |
| Pokrov Church of the St. Mother of God of Atmore | \$0 |

In Favour (7): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor Beniuk, Councillor L'Heureux, Deputy Mayor Stedman, Councillor Tkachuk, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (2): Councillor Moore, and Councillor Cote

CARRIED

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 11:43 a.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 11:53 a.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

7.3 Operating Funding Eligibility – Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society

Mr. Kurppa presented the Operating Funding Eligibility – Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society item and responded to questions.

21.453 **MOVED**
That Council determines that the Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society is eligible for operating funding under FIN-71-021 Recreational Cultural Operating Program, and to allocate funding in the amount of \$17,000.00.

In Favour (4): Mayor Moghrabi, Councillor Borgun, Councillor L'Heureux, and Councillor Johnson

Opposed (5): Councillor Moore, Councillor Cote, Councillor Beniuk, Deputy Mayor Stedman, and Councillor Tkachuk

DEFEATED

21.454 **MOVED**
To direct Administration to reach out to the Russian Kafolicheskaya Culture Preservation Society inviting and assisting the organization to apply for the FIN-71-021 Recreational Cultural Operating 2022 Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECESS

Mayor Moghrabi called a recess at 12:17 p.m.

RECONVENE

Mayor Moghrabi reconvened the meeting at 1:21 p.m. with all those Members of Council previously listed in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

7.4 Snow and Ice Control Service Levels

Mr. Brian Shapka, Associate CAO, Infrastructure Services Division electronically presented the Snow and Ice Control Service Levels item and responded to questions.

21.455 **MOVED**
That Council moves to accept the Snow and Ice Control Service Levels as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.5 Septage Receiving Station-Hamlet of Plamondon

Mr. Shapka electronically presented the Septage Receiving Station-Hamlet of Plamondon item and responded to questions.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Council Chambers at 1:58 p.m. and returned at 2:04 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Stedman exited Council Chambers at 2:04 pm.

21.456 **MOVED**
To accept the Septage Receiving Station – Hamlet of Plamondon Report as information and to direct Administration to bring forward a Capital Plan Request (identifying effluent volumes) to the 2022 Budget Deliberations for the Septage Receiving Station – Hamlet of Plamondon.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.6 Award Poplar Point and Elinor Lake Boat Launch Parking and Budget Increase

Mr. Darrell Lessmeister, Associate CAO, Recreation and Community Services Division and Mr. Gary Harman, Manager, Parks and Facilities electronically co-presented the Award Poplar Point and Elinor Lake Boat Launch Parking and Budget Increase item and responded to questions.

21.457 **MOVED**
That Council approves the transfer of \$81,200 from Fork Lake Access and Parking, to increase the 2021 Capital Budget for the Poplar Point Boat Launch Parking by \$79,000 for a total budget of \$279,000, and to increase Elinor Lake Boat Launch Parking by \$2,200 for a total budget of \$202,200.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

21.458 **MOVED**
That Council approves the tender award PS-72-2021-01 Boat Launch Parking Lot and Area Improvements Contract in the amount of \$397,920 to Allied Paving Co. Ltd.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.7 Budget to Complete Fourth Food Vendor Services Space in the Bold Center Food Court

Mr. Lessmeister and Mr. Harman electronically co-presented the Budget to Complete Fourth Food Vendor Services Space in the Bold Center Food Court item and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Stedman returned to Council Chambers at 2:18 pm.

21.459 MOVED
That Council approves a budget amount of \$88,000 in the 2021 Bold Center Food Court Capital Budget from accumulated surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.8 Flag Placement at Bold Center-First Nations and Metis Settlements

Mr. Lessmeister electronically presented the Flag Placement at Bold Center-First Nations and Metis Settlements item and responded to questions.

Councillor Cote exited Council Chambers at 2:23 p.m. and returned at 2:25 p.m.

21.460 MOVED
That County Council accept the information from Administration with Flag Placement at the Bold Center for First Nations and Metis Settlements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.9 Summer Recess 2021

Ms. Melanie McConnell, Associate CAO, Corporate Services Division presented the Summer Recess 2021 item and responded to questions.

21.461 MOVED
To cancel the July 27, 2021 and August 24, 2021 Regular Council Meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSED SESSION

21.462 MOVED
To go into Closed Session at 2:33 p.m. for the following items and pertinent exceptions to the disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom and Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act*:

- 8.1 Land Request Update (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP)
- 8.2 Enforcement Matter-Environmental Reserve Complaint (s.20-Disclosure harmful to law enforcement-FOIP)
- 8.3 Legal Matter-File No: 71374.0075 (s.27-Privileged Information-FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The following Members of Administration were present during the Closed Session for recording and presentation purposes: Ken Van Buul, Dan Small, Brian Shapka (electronically), Darrell Lessmeister (electronically), Melanie McConnell, Diane Cloutier (electronically), Anita Polturak (electronically), Mackenzie Girard (electronically) and Danielle Patenaude.

8.1 Land Request Update (s.24-Advice from officials-FOIP and s.25-Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body-FOIP)

8.2 Enforcement Matter-Environmental Reserve Complaint (s.20-Disclosure harmful to law enforcement-FOIP)

Councillor Borgun exited Council Chambers at 3:01 p.m. and returned at the same time.

Councillor L'Heureux exited at 3:02 p.m. and returned at 3:03 p.m.

Councillor Tkachuk exited Council Chambers at 3:40 pm.

8.3 Legal Matter-File No: 71374.0075 (s.27-Privileged Information-FOIP).

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

21.463 MOVED
To proceed with the meeting Open Session at 3:41 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

8.1 Land Request Update (s.24 and s.25- FOIP)

21.464 MOVED
To accept the Land Request Update as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Enforcement Matter-Environmental Reserve Complaint (s.20-FOIP)

21.465 MOVED
To proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Legal Matter-File No: 71374.0075 (s.27-FOIP)

21.466 MOVED

To proceed with Option A, as presented in Closed Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

21.467 MOVED

To adjourn the June 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting at 3:44 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Omer Moghrabi, Mayor

**Ken Van Buul
Chief Administrative Officer**