

**MINUTES**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – WABASCA**  
**MARCH 13, 2024**

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The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at the Wabasca Council Chambers.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brendan Powell (D/Reeve)	Louis A. Cardinal
Leo Alook	Gerald Johnson
Larry Cardinal	Roy Yellowknee

**MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:**

Marshall D. Auger (Reeve)	Darlene Jackson
Cheri Courtorielle	Tahirih Wiebe
Robin Guild	

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chad Tullis	Chief Administrative Officer
Jason Supernault	Director of Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance
Trina Mineault	Chief Financial Officer
Gerhard Stickling	Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services
Cynthia Taron	Director of Public Works
Kimball Newberry	Manager of Fleet & Solid Waste
Rolanna Auger	Manager of Safety & Fire Services
William Auger	Manager of Security & Bylaw Enforcement
Lynda Gray	Recording Secretary

**MEMBER OF PUBLIC:**

Ryan Sharpe	MPE Engineering Ltd.
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**Call to Order:**

Deputy Reeve Brendan Powell called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda:**

**0116-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the agenda be adopted with the following addition:

9d. Additional Grant Request

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Approval of Minutes (February 26, 2024):**

**0117-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the February 26, 2024 minutes of the Delegation Meeting of council be approved with the following amendment:

Change arrival time for Darlene Jackson, she arrived at 10:26 a.m., not Tahirih Wiebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Admin Report:**

Chief Administrative Officer, Chad Tullis presented the CAO Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

**0118-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the Chief Administrative Officer report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calling Lake State of Local Emergency:**

**0119-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle to keep the State of Local Emergency for Calling Lake in place.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**VoyentALERT!:**

**0120-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the MD of Opportunity invest with program VoyentALERT! and retain annual membership at the cost of \$3,200 is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**11:00 a.m. Public Hearing  
Bylaw 2024-02:**

Being a Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 to amend Bylaw 2013-14, the Land Use Bylaw, as Amended.

The Chairman called the Public Hearing to order at 11:00 a.m.

**Public Attendance:**

No public present.

**Announcement:**

Gerhard Stickling, Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services announced the purpose of the Public Hearing, to allow for public input process prior to further consideration of Bylaw 2024-02.

**Roundtable Introductions:**

Round table introductions were held.

**Objections to Council  
Members:**

The Chairman asked if the public had any objections to Council members present.

NO PUBLIC PRESENT

**Hearing Order:**

Bylaw 2024-02: Being a Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 to amend Bylaw 2013-14, the Land Use Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17, as amended:

That 9.7 R1E – Residential District be incorporated in section 9 of the Land Use Bylaw

**In Favor of Bylaw:**

NO PUBLIC PRESENT

**In Opposition of Bylaw:**

NO PUBLIC PRESENT

**Fair/Impartial Hearing:**

The Chairman asked the public if they felt they had a fair and impartial Hearing.

NO PUBLIC PRESENT

**Public Hearing Concluded:**

**0121-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 2024-02 is adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Second Reading to  
Bylaw 2024-02:**

**0122-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Marshall Auger that Bylaw 2024-02 is given SECOND READING.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Third Reading to  
Bylaw 2024-02:**

**0123-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that Bylaw 2024-02 is given THIRD READING.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**External Security Patrols for  
Calling Lake:**

**0124-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle to enter into an agreement with Tri-West Security for an annual cost of \$248,200 (2 trucks, 2 security guards) until the end of calendar year for external security patrols in Calling Lake including an additional corresponding budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Reschedule March Delegation Meeting:**

**0125-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to reschedule the March 27, 2024 delegation meeting in Red Earth Creek to Tuesday, March 26, 2024 so council can attend meetings with Bigstone Cree Nation on March 27-28, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Closed Session:**

**0126-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that council move to closed session at 11:27 a.m. with the Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance, Director of Regulatory & Corporate Services and MPE Engineering Ltd. to discuss items: a) Contractual Agreement and b) Keyanow Medical Clinic as per section 16 of the Freedom of Information Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director of Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance and MPE Engineering Ltd. representative left at 11:45 a.m.

Director of Regulatory & Corporate Services arrived at 11:45 a.m.

**0127-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that council return to open meeting 12:01 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Cease Request for Proposal Process for Clinic:**

**0128-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that administration cease direction on a Request For Proposal (RFP) process for the clinic and to enter into a contract with Dr. Riyaan Hassen.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Clinic Contract:**

**0129-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that administration is authorized to award the Keyanow Medical Clinic contract to Dr. Riyaan Hassen for a ten (10) year term.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Departure:**

Councillor Robin Guild left the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

**Capital Projects:**

Director of Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance, Jason Supernault presented the Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance Monthly Report.

**0130-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Red Earth Creek Gazebo:**

**0131-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to approve the proposed addendum to increase the budget by \$11,593.70 for the Red Earth Creek Gazebo project due to increased timber costs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Contract for Eagle Point Golf Course Clubhouse & Shop**

**Roof:** 0132-2024-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Eagle Point Golf Course Clubhouse and Shop Roof project is referred back to administration with direction to administration to do a Request for Proposal.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Recreation & Culture:**

Chief Administrative Officer, Chad Tullis presented the Recreation & Culture Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0133-2024-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Recreation & Culture report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Grants Committee Report:**

0134-2024-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the recommendations from the Grants Committee to approve the following grant applications:

- Second Chances Partnership is approved for a \$5,000 sponsorship for the Benefit Concert on April 27, 2024
- A \$1200 Bronze Sponsorship for the Slave Lake Demolition Derby is approved pending additional information from True North Events Corporation.
- Request from Miranda Sinclair approved for \$200 to go towards Miikka Sinclair's travel expenses to participate in the Native Provincials.
- Neepinise Family Healing Centre approved for \$1,500 to go towards furniture purchase for the Women's Shelter to update the Blue Bird room.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Grants Committee Report:**

0135-2024-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the recommendations from the Grants Committee to approve the following grant requests:

- Request from Rosemary Yellowknee to waive the Wabasca Hall fees for use of the facility for a celebration is approved.
- Request from Hallie Alook is approved for one adult golf pass with cart to go towards a fundraiser.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Arrival:**

Councillor Robin Guild arrived at 12:50 p.m.

**Red Earth Creek Gun & Rod/ Recreation Club:**

0136-2024-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson to approve the request from the Red Earth Creek Gun & Rod/Recreation Club to extend the agreement for use of the old community hall, with existing terms for an additional three (3) years, until March 2027.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Finance Report:**

Chief Financial Officer, Trina Mineault presented the Finance Monthly Report and Requests for Decision (RFD's).

0137-2024-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the Finance report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Corporate & Regulatory Services Report:**

Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services, Gerhard Stickling presented the Corporate & Regulatory Services Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

**0138-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the Corporate & Regulatory Services Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Road Naming – Residential Subdivision in Calling Lake:**

**0139-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that council names the new road within Tony Filewich's subdivision "Whitetail Drive".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Sandy Lake Fire Smart Maintenance Tender:**

**0140-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that administration is authorized to award the Sandy Lake Vegetation Maintenance project tender to Eric Auger & Sons Contracting Ltd. with the request to include Sandy Lake local content for a price of \$64,683.60 plus GST (\$8,511/ha) with funds from GL 2-27-36-00-239-00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Wabasca Fire Smart Vegetation Management Tender:**

**0141-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to award the Wabasca FireSmart Vegetation Management project tender to Eric Auger & Sons Contracting Ltd. for a price of \$68,212.50 plus GST (\$9,095/ha) with funds from GL 2-27-36-00-239-00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Wabasca Fire Smart Maintenance Tender:**

**0142-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that administration is authorized to award the Wabasca FireSmart Maintenance project tender to Eric Auger & Sons Contracting Ltd. for a price of \$39,297.60 plus GST (\$8,187/ha) with funds from GL 2-27-36-00-239-00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Calling Lake Fire Smart Maintenance Tender:**

**0143-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that administration is authorized to award the Calling Lake FireSmart Maintenance project tender to Cortex Management Inc. for a price of \$44,400 plus GST (\$6,000/ha) with funds from GL 2-27-36-00-239-00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Red Earth Creek Fire Smart Maintenance Tender:**

**0144-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that administration is authorized to award the Red Earth Creek FireSmart Maintenance project tender to 1075860 AB Ltd. (Waymor Construction) for a price of \$42,120 plus GST (\$5,200/ha) with funds from GL 2-27-36-00-239-00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FireSmart Budget Amendment: 0145-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that administration is authorized to add an additional \$35,000 to the FireSmart Budget to cover bid tenders.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Amend CCP.10 Childcare Fees: 0146-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to approve the proposed amendment to CCP.10 Childcare Policy to change the full-time monthly rate to \$1000 for each child.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Public Works Report:**

Director of Public Works, Cynthia Taron presented the Public Works Monthly Report and Requests for Decision (RFD's).

**0147-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Roy Yellowknee that the Public Works report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Rescind Policy T.25 Public Use of Municipal Busses:**

**0148-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson to rescind policy T.25 Public Use of Municipal Busses in its entirety.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Departure:**

Reeve Marshall Auger left the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

**Fleet Purchase – Two (2) 1 Ton Trucks C/W Wildland Skid:**

**0149-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle to award the Fleet Purchase of Two (2) 1 Ton Trucks C/W Wildland Skid to Seahawk for the total price of \$338,526 and allocate one (1) truck to Calling Lake and one (1) to Sandy Lake.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Streetlights – Calling Lake:**

**0150-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson to approve quotes 500121013-02, 500121011-01, 500121108-1, and 500121001-02 for a total cost of \$45,965.38 for 21 streetlights in Calling Lake and administration to add an additional \$25,000 to GL 4-32-00-62-610-55.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Fireguards:**

The Wabasca and Red Earth Creek fireguard mowing and mulching will be done in-house and additional funds will not be required.

**Utilities Report:**

Chief Administrative Officer, Chad Tullis presented the Utilities Monthly Report.

**0151-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the Utilities report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Award Wabasca Lagoon Force Main Mulching Tender:**

**0152-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to award the Wabasca Lagoon Force Main Mulching tender to Kisikaw Compliance for \$77,175 (\$7,350/ha) with funds from GL 2-42-00-31-259-00.

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**Council Round Table:**

0153-2024-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Departure:**

Councillor Louis A. Cardinal left at 3:13 p.m.

**Information/Correspondence:**

0154-2024-17MDC

Moved by Roy Yellowknee that the information/correspondence items are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calendars:**

0155-2024-17MDC

Moved by Larry Cardinal that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting Dates:**

Delegation Council Meeting

March 26, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Red Earth Creek Sports Centre Boardroom

Regular Council Meeting

April 10, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Wabasca Council Chambers

**Adjournment:**

0156-2024-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

  
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Marshall D. Auger, Reeve

  
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Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer

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