

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – WABASCA
AUGUST 14, 2024

The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at the Wabasca Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brendan Powell (D/Reeve)	Robin Guild
Leo Alook	Darlene Jackson
Louis A. Cardinal	Tahirih Wiebe
Larry Cardinal	Roy Yellowknee

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Cheri Courtorielle
Gerald Johnson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marshall D. Auger (Reeve)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chad Tullis	Chief Administrative Officer
Lee Bissell	Regional Fire Chief
Jason Supernault	Director of Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance
Angela Lightning	Director of Recreation & Culture
Trina Mineault	Chief Financial Officer
Rolanna Auger	Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services
Kimball Newberry	Director of Public Works
Earl Gullion	Director of Utilities
Lynda Gray	Recording Secretary

Call to Order: Deputy Reeve Brendan Powell called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda: 0420-2024-17MDC
Moved by Robin Guild that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes (July 24, 2024): 0421-2024-17MDC
Moved by Robin Guild that the July 24, 2024 minutes of the Delegation Meeting of council be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

0422-2024-17MDC
Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Capital Projects & Facility Maintenance report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Arrival: Councillor Cheri Courtorielle joined the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Admin Report: Chief Administrative Officer, Chad Tullis presented the CAO Monthly Report.

0423-2024-17MDC
Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that the Chief Administrative Officer report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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State of Local Emergency:**0424-2024-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the MD of Opportunity State of Local Emergency (S.O.L.E) for the Hamlets of Calling Lake, Wabasca, Sandy Lake, Chipewyan Lake and Red Earth Creek is extended for another 2 weeks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Regional Fire Department:

Regional Fire Chief, Lee Bissell presented the Regional Fire Department Monthly Report.

0425-2024-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the Regional Fire Department monthly report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recreation & Culture:

Director of Recreation & Culture, Angela Lightning presented the Recreation & Culture Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0426-2024-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Grants Committee Report:

Amended August 28, 2024

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0427-2024-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the recommendations from the Grants Committee be approved.

- Request from St. John's Anglican Church for \$2,000 for roof repairs is accepted as information.
- Request from Bigstone Cree Nation Treaty Days for free golf for the Treaty Day Event on August 13 & 14, 2024 is approved.
- Request from Holly Beaver on behalf of Wabasca Rodeo Association for eight (8) porta-potties for the event on August 22-25, 2024 is approved. Administration to hire a contractor to maintain the grounds for the 2024 rodeo event.
- Request from Laurie Auger for a donation is approved for \$1,000 in merchandise for the fundraising golf tournament on August 24, 2024 and administration enter four (4) teams **and** to cover cost of **tournament** fees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Finance Report:

Chief Financial Officer, Trina Mineault presented the Finance Monthly Report.

0428-2024-17MDC

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that the Finance report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened at 11:16 a.m.

Corporate & Regulatory Services Report:

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

0429-2024-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the Corporate & Regulatory Services Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

m.A. C

**Request to Operate a Mobile
Lemonade Stand on MD
Property:**

0430-2024-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson to approve the request from Elton Alook to operate a lemonade stand on the specified MD properties within the Hamlet of Wabasca (Eli Cardinal Park, Sam G. Park, and George Stoll Recreational Grounds); provided that the operator ensures the locations are clean prior to leaving as well as obtains a hawkers and peddlers license from the MD as well as a food handling permit and is in compliance with Alberta Health Services Mobile Food Vending Unit requirements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Red Earth Creek Fireguard
Planning – Phase 1:**

0431-2024-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild to approve the Red Earth Creek fireguard plan as presented and authorizes administration to submit a proposal for Phase 2 construction, once RFP is issued.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Sandy Lake Fireguard
Planning – Phase 1:**

0432-2024-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson to approve the Sandy Lake fireguard plan as presented, with an 800m width in the southern portion and authorizes administration to submit a proposal for Phase 2 Construction, once RFP is issued.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calling Lake Fireguard
Planning – Phase 1:**

0433-2024-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson to authorize administration to proceed with Calling Lake fireguard planning only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Works Report:

Director of Public Works, Kimball Newberry presented the Public Works Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0434-2024-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Public Works report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Departure:

Councillor Cheri Courtorielle left at 11:50 a.m.

Docks for Sandy Lake:

0435-2024-17MDC

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe to choose a location for swimming dock in Sandy Lake so that administration can move forward with permit from DFO.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Red Earth Walking Path
Paving:**

0436-2024-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild to approve an additional \$130,000 to the Red Earth Paving Budget to cover the cost of additional work on the walking path with funds from reserves.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Utilities Report:

Director of Utilities, Earl Gullion presented the Utilities Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0437-2024-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M.A. M

Recess/Reconvene: The meeting recessed at 12:21 p.m. and reconvened at 12:32 p.m.

Councillor Arrival: Councillor Cheri Courtorielle joined the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

Council Round Table: 0438-2024-17MDC
Moved by Leo Alook that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sandy Lake Lagoon & Lift Station:
Amended August 28, 2024
MA. G

0439-2024-17MDC
Moved by Darlene Jackson to table the request for additional funds in the amount of \$3.1 million for the Sandy Lake Lagoon and Lift Station capital project GL 4-42-00-32-610-01 with funds from reserves **until the next regular meeting.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Stronger Together Library Conference: 0440-2024-17MDC
Moved by Leo Alook that Tahirih Wiebe be authorized to attend the Stronger Together Library Conference in Edmonton on October 3-4, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Information/Correspondence: 0441-2024-17MDC
Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that the information/correspondence items be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calendars: 0442-2024-17MDC
Moved by Tahirih Weibe that the calendars be accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Dates: Delegation Council Meeting
August 28, 2024
10:00 a.m.
Calling Lake Community Complex

Regular Council Meeting
September 11, 2024
10:00 a.m.
Wabasca Council Chambers

Adjournment: 0443-2024-17MDC
Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Marshall D. Auger, Reeve



Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer