## MINUTES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17 DELEGATION COUNCIL MEETING – RED EARTH CREEK JUNE 23, 2021

The delegation meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at the Back Lakes Arena Boardroom.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Marshall D. Auger (Reeve)

Everett Gottfried (D/Reeve)

Leo Alook Victor Gladue Darlene Jackson Roy Yellowknee Kevin Bigstone Brendan Powell Robin Guild Barry Schmidt

Louis A. Cardinal

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chad Tullis Chief Administrative Officer
Gerhard Stickling Director of Corporate Services

Trina Mineault Chief Financial Officer

Halena Neustaeter Director of Housing & Social Programs
William Auger Director of Regulatory Services

Cynthia Taron Director of Transportation & Public Works

Angela Lightning Director of Recreation & Culture

Lynda Gray Recording Secretary

**MEMBERS OF THE** 

**PUBLIC:** 

Bruce Thomas

The Fever Lakeside Leader

Joe Williams

Call to Order:

Reeve Marshall D. Auger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

0370-2021-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the Agenda is adopted with additions.

7f. Campground Tree Removal Discussion

7g. Hazard Trees Discussion.

8a. WDHA Amended Transition Plan9b. Wabasca Library Discussion

- 9c. Canada Day Discussion

- 14c. Wabasca Fireguard Phase 3 Dug-Out Construction

17b. Wabasca Land Issue

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Adoption of Minutes (June 9, 2021):

0371-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Minutes of the June 9, 2021 Regular Council

Meeting are adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Introductions:

Reeve Marshall D. Auger introduced council and staff.

Alberta Forest Products Association (AFPA) 79<sup>th</sup> AGM & Conference:

0372-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Alberta Forest Products Association (AFPA) 79<sup>th</sup> Annual AGM & Conference scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 in Jasper, Alberta is referred back to administration with

direction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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21st Annual Alberta CARE

(Recycling) Conference: 0373-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the 21st Annual Alberta CARE (Recycling) Conference scheduled for September 7 to September 10, 2021 in Bonnyville,

Alberta is accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Greenview Clay Shoot** 

Tournament:

0374-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Greenview Clay Shoot Tournament scheduled for September 9, 2021 in Valleyview, Alberta is referred back to administration with direction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Hazard Trees

Discussion:

0375-2021-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that administration is authorized to reach out to ATCO for the removal of hazard trees near power lines in the communities of

Municipal District No.17.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MD Website Discussion: The new MD website is good but the missing pieces will be identified at the

directors meeting on June 25, 2021.

There were some suggestions: a) have a page where residents can upload pictures subject to approval; and b) Business Directory: Direction to administration to advertise in the communities and social media about the new website and that businesses reach out to be added to the business directory.

Wabasca Campground Tree Removal:

0376-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that administration is authorized to proceed with hiring a local contractor with a feller buncher to clean up the fallen trees at the Wabasca Lions Club Campground with funds coming out of Public Works

contract services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wabasca Desmarais **Housing Authority Transition Plan:** 

0377-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the proposed transition plan for the Wabasca

Desmarais Housing Authority is approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11:00 a.m. Delegation

Sherry Peer, Red Earth Creek Resident

Round Table Introductions

The delegate was in attendance to present a proposal to council about a Health & Wellness & Family Living Worker position which can benefit residents

of Red Earth Creek and the MD in general.

Sherry spoke about the benefits of the proposed position could enhance community life, would create strong families and promote the health and wellbeing of community members. She also presented some ideas that would reinforce the proposal.

Council thanked the delegate for her attendance.

Delegate left at 11:25 p.m.

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**Bigstone Health Commission** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Men's Health **Golf Tournament Donation** 

Request:

0378-2021-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the donation request received from Bigstone Health Commission is approved for Eagle Point Golf Course golf merchandise in the amount of \$1000 to go towards a door prize for the 2nd Annual Men's Health golf tournament scheduled for July 17, 2021 is approved.

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Wabasca Library Discussion:

There was a discussion about the possibility of having the Wabasca Library utilize the eld outreach location at the Lakeview Sports Centre. It would be better access to the seniors lodge, the pool and the daycare.

With the MD outreach facilities closed, libraries can fill some of that void and provide programming to kids, youth and seniors. It could be cost effective if we have the library at the facility and it's a good opportunity to develop more programming. Library employees can also assist individuals with research and updating resumes for employment.

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

Canada Day Discussion: At the last joint meeting between the MD and Bigstone Cree Nation, there was some discussion about the Canada Day events. One suggestion was eliminating activities or moving the Canada Day activities to Treaty Days, which is scheduled for August 14, 2021.

> The activities planned by MD are scattered throughout the community. Limit of 20 people at the pool for free swim. The concert stage is closer to the Senior Centre and an area of the parking lot will be blocked off. The fire department, RCMP and security will be onsite to enforce rules.

> This item will be discussed again at the next joint meeting with Bigstone Cree Nation, which is scheduled for Monday, June 28, 2021.

F.1 Finance Policy Revisions:

0379-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the section removed from the F.1 Finance Policy is approved as presented.

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**Property Tax Payment** Extension:

0380-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that administration is authorized to extend the property tax payment deadline without penalty to October 31, 2021.

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2021 Asphalt Patching:

0381-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried administration is authorized to proceed with asphalt patching to areas in Wabasca for an additional cost of \$60,000 with funds coming from General Revenue.

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Bylaw 2021-15 Partial Plans Cancellation Lots 1 & 2, Block 3, Plan 641NY:

Being a Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17, in the Province of Alberta to cancel part of Subdivision Plan No. 641NY registered in respect of NE-30-71-21W4M located within the boundaries of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17.

First Reading for Bylaw 2021-15:

0382-2021-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue to give FIRST READING to Bylaw 2021-15.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Second Reading for Bylaw 2021-15:

0383-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried to give SECOND READING to Bylaw 2021-15.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Unanimous Reading for** 

Bylaw 2021-15:

0384-2021-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild to give UNANIMOUS READING to Bylaw 2021-15.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Third Reading for

Bylaw 2021-15:

0385-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook to give THIRD READING to Bylaw 2021-15.

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Request to Lease Calling

**Lake Visitor Centre:** 

0386-2021-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the request received from Nathan Gullion on behalf of Athabasca Reformed Church to lease the Calling Lake Visitor Centre

is accepted as information.

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Wabasca Fireguard Phase 3 Dug-Out Construction:

0387-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that administration is authorized to split the Wabasca Fireguard Phase 3 Dug-Out Construction of seven (7) dugouts; four (4) dugouts to the lowest bidder Schroder Oilfield and three (3) to Eric Auger

and Sons Contracting Ltd. at a price of \$23,000 per dugout.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Council Round Table:** 

0388-2021-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the Council Round Table discussions are

accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Information/

Correspondence:

0389-2021-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the information/correspondence items are

accepted as information.

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Calendars:

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Moved by Leo Alook that the calendars are accepted as information.

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**Closed Session:** 

0391-2021-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt to go into a closed session at 2:02 p.m. to the public for agenda item 16b.i Wabasca Land Issue, with the Chief Administrative Officer to discuss matters protected from disclosure per section 16 of the Freedom of Information Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0392-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson to go out of the closed session at 2:32 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

**Next Meeting Dates:** 

Regular Council Meeting

July 14, 2021 10:00 am

Wabasca Council Chambers

**Delegation Council Meeting** 

July 28, 2021 10:00 a.m.

Wabasca Council Chambers

Adjournment:

0393-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Marshall D. Auger, Reeve

Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer