



**Administration Offices –**

**Hours of Operation:** 0887-2020-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the administration office hours (Wabasca, Red Earth Creek and Calling Lake) are from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. week days and closed for lunch during 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. be approved until further notice.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Council Boards & Committees**

**- Municipal Library**

**Board:** 0888-2020-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that administration is authorized to advertise for any member's at large for all Council Boards & Committees and selection of appointments are scheduled for the Organizational meeting on October 19, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2020-05 COVID-19**

**Pandemic Response**

**Bylaw Discussion:**

Residents approached Council members about the restriction of not allowing patrons under the age of 12 in their businesses. In the Bylaw, its states that it is at the business owners discretion to restrict access to patrons of any age.

**RMA Energy Program:** 0889-2020-17MDC

*As amended  
October 14, 2020  
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Moved by Victor Glade Gladue that administration is authorized to enter into a contract of service with Unified Energy 8760 for provision of natural gas administration services for a period of eight (8) years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MD Wide Census:** 0890-2020-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 waits for the Government of Canada census to be done in the spring of 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Senior Exemption Grant –**

**Utilities:** 0891-2020-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the Senior Exemption Grant for utilities is discussed at the next policy committee meeting for further discussion regarding income thresholds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Resolution 2020-04 –**

**Fireguard – Calling Lake:** 0892-2020-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Calling Lake Fireguard Plan is accepted as presented and administration is authorized to submit the plan for grant approval and distribution to Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) and establish community engagement open houses be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Resolution 2020-05 –  
Fireguard – Wabasca:****0893-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the Wabasca Fireguard Plan is accepted as presented and administration is authorized to submit the plan for grant approval and distribution to Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) and establish community engagement open houses be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Resolution 2020-06 –  
Fireguard – Red Earth  
Creek:****0894-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Red Earth Creek Fireguard Plan is accepted as presented and administration is authorized to submit the plan for grant approval and distribution to Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA) and establish community engagement open houses be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegation  
11:05 a.m.****Loon River First Nation VIA Zoom  
Chief Ivan Sawan**

Chief Ivan Sawan was in attendance to address the current situations at Loon River First Nation regarding the Nation having one confirmed case of COVID-19. The strategies in place and the response of the Nation to the case. Reeve Marshall D. Auger, then updated Chief Sawan on the response with the positive cases in Wabasca, also mentioning that the MD Council also want to work with the First Nations within the boundaries. Chief Sawan commended the MD Council for the leadership and the actions of wanting to work together with the First Nations. A joint meeting with Peerless Trout First Nation and MD Councils scheduled for October 22, 2020; a meeting invitation will be extended to Loon River First Nation.

Council thanked the Chief Sawan for his attendance and information.

Delegate left the meeting at 11:20

**ATM Operator:****0895-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the ATM Contract with Jesse Roberts is renewed for a 2-year term with a fee of \$75 per month or 50% revenue per ATM be approved for machines situated at Eagle Point Golf Course, Lakeview Sports Center, WWW&FC, Marion Wolitski Arena, Wabasca Community Hall and the Jaybird Memorial Arena (Calling Lake) be approved

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OPK School Hockey  
Academy:****0896-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the request from OPK's Hockey Academy to waive rental fees for use of the Marion Wolitski Arena, Lakeview Sports Centre and WWW&FC for the 2020-21 school year (November 2020-April 2021) is accepted as information and advise OPK to re-apply in January 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Round Table:**

0897-2020-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/  
Correspondence:**

0898-2020-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the information/correspondence items are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calendars:**

0899-2020-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the calendars are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Recess/Reconvene:**

The meeting recessed at 12:13 p.m. and reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

**Closed Session:**

0900-2020-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook to go into a closed session at 12:42 p.m. with the Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0901-2020-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt to go out of the closed session at 1:15 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CAO Position:**

0902-2020-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Acting Chief Administrative Officer contract is extended to October 14, 2020 and arrange to have contract reviewed with Brownlee LLP be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0903-2020-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that administration develop an Emergency Pay Policy have policy reviewed at the policy committee meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting Dates:**

Regular Council Meeting  
October 14, 2020  
10:00 a.m.  
Wabasca Council Chambers  
  
Organizational Council Meeting  
October 19, 2020  
10:00 a.m.  
Wabasca Council Chambers

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Delegation Council Meeting  
October 28, 2020  
10:00 a.m.  
Wabasca Council Chambers

**Adjournment:**

**0904-2020-17MDC**

Moved by that the meeting is adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

  
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Marshall D. Auger, Reeve

  
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Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer