

**MINUTES**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – CHIPEWYAN LAKE**  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2022**

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The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at the Chipewyan Lake Community Hall.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marshall D. Auger (Reeve)      Brendan Powell (D/Reeve)  
Leo Alook (10:15 a.m.)      Darlene Jackson  
Larry Cardinal      Gerald Johnson (10:13 a.m.)  
Louis A. Cardinal      Tahirih Wiebe  
Cheri Courtorielle (10:13 a.m.)      Roy Yellowknee  
Robin Guild

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chad Tullis      Chief Administrative Officer  
Angela Lightning      Director of Recreation & Culture  
Lynda Gray      Recording Secretary

**Call to Order:** Reeve Marshall D. Auger called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda:** **0104-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Brendan Powell that the Agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 9h. Dave Turk First Hockey Memorial Tournament Donation Request
- 9i. SCARS Donation Request
- 11b. MD Website Contractor
- 14c. Log Trucks Discussion

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Adoption of Minutes  
(February 9, 2022):** **0105-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Robin Guild that the Minutes of the February 9, 2022 Regular Council Meeting minutes are approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**F.12 Procurement  
Policy:**

**0106-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the proposed changes to the F.12 Procurement Policy be approved with the following additions to section B. Policy Statements:

- 11 v. SECOR Requirements – At the discretion of administration, contractors with less than ten (10) employees who do not possess a SECOR may be hired but MUST adhere to the MD's Health and Safety Program;
- 11 vi. COR Requirements – Contractors with more than ten (10) employees MUST have a valid COR certificate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2022-03 Schedule of Rates & Fees:**

Being a Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 to establish the Schedule of Rates and Fees for Services, Use of Facilities, and the Sale of Miscellaneous Inventory Items.

**Bylaw 2022-03 First Reading:****0107-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell to give FIRST READING to Bylaw 2022-03 Schedule of Rates & Fees as amended:

- Delete "Keyanow Medical Clinic Fees"
- Amendments to Eagle Point Golf Course Fees
- Add "MD of Opportunity Fire Department Rates"

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2022-03 Second Reading:****0108-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to give SEOND READING to Bylaw 2022-03 Schedule of Rates & Fees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2022-03 Unanimous Reading:****0109-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild to give UNANIMOUS READING to Bylaw 2022-03 Schedule of Rates & Fees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2022-03 Third Reading:****0110-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell to give THIRD READING to Bylaw 2022-03 Schedule of Rates & Fees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Arrival:**

Councillors Gerald Johnson and Cheri Courtorielle arrived at 10:13 a.m. and Leo Alook at 10:15 a.m.

**F.6 Grants Policy:****0111-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the proposed changes to the F.6 Grants Policy be approved as presented with the amendments listed below and is effective immediately.

**General Rules Section:**

- 16. Remove "Grant applicants from an Individual will go to Council for approval and replace with "Grant Applications that benefit teams and/or groups that exceed the approval threshold of Administration will be referred to council for approval".
- 17. Add "Grant applications that do not meet the criteria as outlined in the grant policy, including funerals, birthdays and those that benefit only individuals will be denied in writing by Administration".

**Add Water Tie-In Grant section****Heat Grant Application/Agreement – Declaration Additions:**

- #3 – I understand that this grant may be revoked should my accounts become delinquent.
- #4 – I understand that if the ownership of my property changes, and/or the name on my utility account changes that this agreement can become null and void at the discretion of administration.

On the General Grant Application, remove "Grant to Individual"

Change thresholds for Senior Citizen Property Tax Grant and Senior Citizen Heat Grant to:

1 person - \$75,000, 2 persons - \$85,000, 3 persons - \$95,000 and 4 persons - \$100,000

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Calling Lake Food Bank  
Grant Request:****0112-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the grant request from Joanne Hicks for \$25,000 to go towards the Calling Lake Food Bank is approved with funds from the FCSS Food Bank Grant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Delegation:  
11:03 a.m.**

Peekiskwetan "Let's Talk" Society – Norman Wang - Executive Director  
Introductions

The delegate was in attendance to request additional funding for Peekiskwetan to continue community outreach and wellness programs. He gave a background on services provided to communities in the MD of Opportunity including Loon River First Nation.

Council recommended that Peekiskwetan engage with the surrounding First Nations (Bigstone Cree Nation, Peerless Trout First Nation and Loon River First Nation) to contribute to the service.

Council thanked the delegate for his attendance.  
Delegate left at 11:37 a.m.

**Urban Rez Cultural  
Society Grant  
Request:****0113-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the grant request from Urban Rez Cultural Society for \$10,000 to assist with the "Knowledge Keepers" conference in Wabasca on August 25 – 28, 2022 is tabled and administration is authorized to invite them to attend as a delegate for the March 9, 2022 regular council meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calling Lake and  
Wabasca Splash Parks:****0114-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that administration is authorized to proceed with awarding the contract to Playquest for the Wabasca and Calling Lake Spray Park projects for a price of \$979,590.08 excluding GST.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Declaration:**

Councillor Tahirih Wiebe declared conflict on the following item and left the room at 12:05 p.m.

**TJBSC Gym Equipment  
Donation Request:****0115-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the request from TJBSC to donate gym equipment is approved for the items listed below:

- Shaker Unit
- Elliptical Machine
- Mats

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Councillor Return:**

Councillor Tahirih Wiebe returned to the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

MA. G

**Red Earth Creek New  
Community Hall Water  
& Sewer Tender Award:**

**0116-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that administration is authorized to award the Water and Sewer Service Tie-ins for the Red Earth Creek Community Hall to Remote Oil & Gas for the price of \$269,665.98 and engage Milestone Engineering Services for a price of \$25,854 for on-site engineering services; and also to increase the capital budget by \$235,520.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Dave Turk First Memorial  
Hockey Tournament  
Donation Request:**

**0117-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the donation request from Devon Rathbone and Charlene Gullion is approved for \$1000 to assist with the Dave Turk First Memorial Hockey Tournament on March 11-13, 2022 with funds from 2-00-00-31-770-16.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**SCARS Donation  
Request:**

**0118-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the donation request from SCARS is approved for \$10,000 to assist with transportation and vet appointments for all the animals to get spayed and neutered with funds from GL 2-00-00-31-770-16.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Recess/Reconvene:**

The meeting recessed at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened at 12:52 p.m.

**P.1 Personnel Policy:**

**0119-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the proposed changes to the P.1 Personnel Policy is approved with the changes listed below and is effective immediately:

Under Section H – Uninsured Benefits, #4 Vacation and Special Leave

4.1 Vacation Leave

b. Less than 1 year, prorated

1 to 2 years = 15 working days

2 to 3 years = 16 working days

3 to 4 years = 17 working days

4 to 5 years = 18 working days

5 to 6 years = 19 working days

6 to 7 years = 20 working days

7 to 8 years = 21 working days

8 to 9 years = 22 working days

9 to 10 years = 23 working days

10 to 11 years = 24 working days

11 plus years = 25 working days

f. Change ten (10) to fifteen (15)

7. Leave of Absence without Pay

7.2 Requests for Leave – Add "Directors can approve a leave up to thirty (30) days, anything over 30 days must be approved by the CAO."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**MD Website Proposal:** **0120-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Leo Alook to accept the proposal received from Sheldon Bossert for MD17 Website Cleanup is accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2022-01 Sandy Lake Area Structure Plan:**

Being a Bylaw of the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 to adopt the Sandy Lake Area Structure Plan, as amended.

**Bylaw 2022-01 First Reading:**

**0121-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Leo Alook to give FIRST READING to Bylaw 2022-01 Sandy Lake Area Structure Plan and that a public hearing be scheduled for March 23, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bylaw 2022-04 Land Use Bylaw:**

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.

**Bylaw 2022-04 First Reading:**

**0122-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Brendan Powell to give FIRST READING to Bylaw 2022-04 Land Use – Rezoning Plan 832 1796, Lot 59 (830 Pelican Road) Sandy Lake from R1C – Residential District to C3 – Commercial District and that a public hearing be scheduled for March 23, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Log Trucks Discussion:** There have been concerns issued by residents. There was a brief discussion about banning logging trucks from driving through the community but we don't have jurisdiction on highways.

There was also a brief discussion about the motor pollution concerns about trucks parking by Fillmore apartments. To alleviate the concern, public works cleared off a section for off-street parking. This has been addressed to the truckers. There is no regulation on heavy trucks and/or equipment pertaining to residential districts.

**Council Round Table:** **0123-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament:**

**0124-2022-17MDC**  
Moved by Brendan Powell that council are authorized to attend the Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament on June 15, 2022 at the Sturgeon Valley Golf & Country Club.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Information/  
Correspondence:**

**0125-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that the information/correspondence items are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calendars:**

**0126-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Next Meeting Dates:**

Regular Council Meeting  
March 9, 2022  
10:00 a.m.  
Wabasca Council Chambers

Delegation Council Meeting  
March 23, 2022  
10:00 a.m.  
Trout Lake Community Hall

**Adjournment:**

**0127-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the meeting is adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

  
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Marshall D. Auger, Reeve

  
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Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer