

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – WABASCA
JUNE 14, 2023

The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at the Wabasca Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marshall D. Auger (Reeve)	Brendan Powell (D/Reeve)
Leo Alook	Darlene Jackson
Larry Cardinal	Gerald Johnson
Louis A. Cardinal	Tahirih Wiebe
Cheri Courtorielle	Roy Yellowknee (10:05 a.m.)
Robin Guild	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chad Tullis	Chief Administrative Officer
Trina Mineault	Chief Financial Officer
Cynthia Taron	Director of Public Works
Earl Gullion	Director of Utilities
Gerhard Stickling	Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services
Angela Lightning	Director of Recreation & Culture
Rolanna Auger	Manager of Safety & Services
Kimball Newberry	Manager of Fleet & Solid Waste
Lynda Gray	Recording Secretary

Call to Order:

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

Adoption of Agenda:

0277-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 8c. Northern Waste Disposal
- 8d. Treaty 8 First Nations Golf Tournament
- 8e. Bereavement Leave
- 9b. Recreation Committee Trip to Sylvan Lake
- 11d. Doctor Contract for Keekenow Senior Facility
- 12c. Lions Club Campground Maintenance
- 16b. Closed Session – Tax Forfeiture

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Arrival:

Councillor Roy Yellowknee arrived at 10:05 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes
(May 23, 2023):**

0278-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the May 23, 2023 minutes of the delegation meeting of council be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Rescind Motion:

0279-2023-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that motion 0173-2023-17MDC as recorded in the April 12, 2023 meeting Minutes is rescinded in its entirety.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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Admin Report:

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

0280-2023-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Clay Shoot Tournament:**0281-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that Councillors Leo Alook, Louis Cardinal and Roy Yellowknee are authorized to attend the MD of Greenview No. 16 Clay Shoot Tournament in Valleyview on September 7, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Northern Waste Disposal:

The public has concerns about lots owned by Northern Waste Disposal located on Hwy 88 and Transportation Road in Red Earth Creek. Direction to administration is to give an update at the next council meeting.

Treaty 8 Golf Tournament:**0282-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to enter two teams for the Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta Golf Tournament on June 21, 2023 at Eagle Point Golf Course in Wabasca.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bereavement Leave:

Direction to Administration to bring the P.1 Personnel Policy to the Policy Review Committee meeting on July 11, 2023.

Recreation & Culture:

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

0283-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Recreation & Culture report is accepted as presented.



CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recreation Committee**Trip Discussion:**

The recreation committee would like to see the Sylvan Lake Aqua Splash. Administration is directed to reach out to the town of Sylvan Lake for more information.

Grant Committee Report:**0284-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the recommendations from the Grants Committee to approve the following grant applications:

1. Bigstone Health Commission - \$1,000 to go towards the fourth annual men's health golf tournament on July 15, 2023.
 2. Bigstone Community Wellness - \$5,000 to go towards Indigenous People's Day Celebrations on June 21, 2023.
 3. Calling Lake School - \$1,000 to go towards the field trip for students in grades 7-10.
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4. Red Earth Creek School - \$3,000 to go towards travel costs to take students for hands on learning opportunities.
5. WD Children's Playschool - \$45,000 for playschool operations for the October 2023 to May 2024 year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Finance Report:

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

0285-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Finance report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2023 Operating Budget
Amendment:**

0286-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the budget amendment for the additional revenue requirement of \$372,845 is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 2023-07:

A Bylaw to authorize the taxation rates to be levied against assessable property within the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 for the 2023 taxation year.

Second Reading:

0287-2023-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook to give SECOND READING to Bylaw 2023-07 taxation rates for 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Third Reading:

0288-2023-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson to give THIRD READING to Bylaw 2023-07 taxation rates for 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ECC/Firefighter Pay &
Amend Compensation for
Fire Staff Policy:**

0289-2023-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that council approves the Wildland Urban Interface rates for firefighters and will pay MD employees time and a half for hours worked associated with the State of Local Emergency (SOLE) and deployments.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

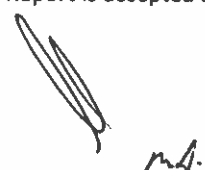
**Corporate & Regulatory
Services Report:**

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

0290-2023-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



**Request from Spoke Resources
Ltd. to renew Alberta Surface
Lease MD17-03-SL-01 in Red
Earth Creek:**

0291-2023-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild to approve the request from Spoke Resources Ltd. to renew Alberta Surface Lease MD17-03-SL-01, located in Red Earth Creek, for a term of 5 years, at their request, for an annual fee of \$599.00.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Request from Spoke Resources
Ltd. to renew Alberta Surface
Lease HAM 8802001 in Red
Earth Creek:**

0292-2023-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson to approve the request from Spoke Resources Ltd. to renew Alberta Surface Lease HAM 8802001, located in Red Earth Creek, for a term of 5 years, at their request, for an annual fee of \$3,931.50.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Doctor Contract for

Keekenow Senior Facility: Concerns regarding doctors and/or nurse practitioners for Keekenow Senior Facility was discussed.

Medical Clinic Operations: **0293-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the administration is authorized to do a Request for Proposal for the medical clinic operations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wabasca Lions Club

Campground Maintenance: The Wabasca Lions Club would like a tank system for the showers and they would like calcium applied on the road.

Public Works Report:

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

0294-2023-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Public Works report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Gravel Inventories 2023: **0295-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to proceed with gravel sales to Wabasca, Sandy Lake and Calling Lake residents while supply lasts up for \$375 plus GST to a maximum of two (2) loads which includes the spreading of gravel on the driveway.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Utilities Report:

Director of Utilities, Earl Gullion presented the Utilities Monthly Report.

0296-2023-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Council Round Table:**0297-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook to accept the Councillor reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/
Correspondence:****0298-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the information/correspondence items are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calendars:**0299-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Gerald Johnson that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Closed Session:**0300-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that council move to closed session at 2:51 p.m. with the Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Utilities, Chief Financial Officer, and Recording Secretary to discuss item: 16a.i. Utility Enforcement, and 16b.i. Tax Forfeiture, as per section 16 of the Freedom of Information Privacy Act (FOIP).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director of Utilities left at 2:59 p.m.

Chief Financial Officer joined the closed session at 3:05 p.m. and left at 3:08 p.m.

0301-2023-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that council return to open meeting 3:11 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Dates:

Delegation Council Meeting

June 28, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Calling Lake Complex Boardroom

Regular Council Meeting

July 12, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Wabasca Council Chambers

Adjournment:**0302-2023-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


Marshall W. Auger, Reeve


Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer