# MINUTES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - WABASCA MARCH 14, 2018

The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at the Wabasca Council Chambers.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Marcel D. Auger (Reeve)

Everett Gottfried (D/Reeve)

Leo Alook Victor Gladue Brendan Powell Robin Guild Roy Yellowknee **Kevin Biastone** Darlene Jackson **Barry Schmidt** Louis A. Cardinal

IN ATTENDANCE:

Helen Alook

Chief Administrative Officer Deborah Juch

**Deputy Chief Administrative Officer** 

Shvamal Sarker Chad Tullis

Manager of Finance Lands & Planning Manager

Terah Yellowknee

**Recording Secretary** 

Lynda Gray

Recording Secretary

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: Eleanor Twardzik

Resident of Wabasca Resident of Wabasca

Eric Twardzik

**DELEGATES:** 

**Bob Buckle** 

Athabasca Ultra 100 Athabasca Ultra 100

Brenda Reynolds Robin-Lee Vance Craig Friesen Mark Polzen Cliff McKay

Brian Nichol

Slave Lake Community Futures Slave Lake Community Futures **RCMP** Desmarais Detachment **RCMP** Desmarais Detachment RCMP Athabasca Detachment

Call to Order:

Marcel Auger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda:** 

0108-2018-17MDC

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

additions:

6.6.3.4 j. Wabasca Cross Country Club Grant Request

6.6.3.4.k Senior Repair Program

6.6.3.4.I Calling Lake Crime Prevention Program 6.6.3.4.m Revised Finance Policy F.6 Grants Policy

6.6.3.4.n Three Phase Power to Sandy Lake by Atco Electric

6.6.3.4.0 Wabasca Senior Centre - Letter from Group

**CARRIED** 

Adoption of Minutes:

(February 26, 2018):

0109-2018-17MDC

Moved Leo Alook that the Minutes of the February 26, 2018 Budget Council

Meeting are adopted with correction:

Authorized Leave: Marcel D. Auger (Reeve)

**CARRIED** 

**Adoption of Minutes** (February 27, 2018):

0110-2018-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the Minutes of the February 27, 2018 Budget

Council Meeting are adopted with correction:

Authorized Leave: Marcel D. Auger (Reeve)

# **Adoption of Minutes** (February 28, 2018):

0111-2018-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that the Minutes of the February 28, 2018 Delegation Council Meeting are adopted with the following corrections and amendments:

- a) Authorized Leave: Marcel D. Auger (Reeve)
- b) 0101-2018-17MDC to read as follows; Moved by Everett Gottfried that the MD of Opportunity Council appoints Leo Alook to the Bigstone Cree Nation Museum Society and that Robin Guild is the alternate.

#### **CARRIED**

**Wabasca Cross Country** 

Ski Club Grant Request: 0112-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the grant request from the Wabasca Cross Country Ski Club is approved in the amount of \$5000 with funds coming from 2-00-00-31-770-16.

#### **CARRIED**

**Finance Services:** 

The Finance Services Manager, Shyamal Sarker presented the Finance Report.

**Finance Report:** 

0113-2018-17MDC

Moved by Kevin Bigstone that the Finance Manager Report is accepted as presented.

#### CARRIED

Delegation: 10:27 a.m.

George Cambridge - Red Earth Ace Hardware

Round Table Introductions

Mr. Cambridge was in attendance to express his concerns regarding the state of the MD service road in front of Lot 249 in Red Earth Creek and the impact it has had to his business. This is an ongoing issue which needs to be resolved. Various other details were provided by Mr. Cambridge.

Council thanked the delegate for his presentation and information.

Delegate left the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

In-Camera

0114-2018-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal to go in-camera with Administration at 10:55

a.m. to discuss the Land File.

### CARRIED

**Out-of-Camera** 

0115-2018-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild to go out-of-camera at 11:08 a.m.

## CARRIED

Administration is to prepare an information package regarding the land file in Red Earth Creek for Council's review prior to making decision.

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Delegation: 11:10 a.m.

Brenda Reynolds - RACE **Round Table Introductions** 

Ms. Reynolds was in attendance to inform Council of the first annual Athabaska Ultra 100 relay race to take place on July 27-29, 2018. The race will start in Fort Saskatchewan, following the Trans Canada Trail and end in Athabasca. There will be an Expo in Fort Saskatchewan and in Athabasca as well as transition stations along the way. Each community at each station will provide opportunities to showcase local cuisine, entertainment, arts and crafts.

The Ultra will provide opportunities for communities to work together, collaborate and coordinate activities.

Council thanked the delegates for their presentation and information.

Delegates left the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Delegation: 11:37 a.m.

Robin-Lee Vance & Josh Friesen - Community Futures

**Round Table Introductions** 

The delegates were in attendance to inform Counil of their non-profit organization and to provide an annual update of their services and projects during the 2017-18 year. The services provided are Business Financing, Contract Projects, Advisory & Training Services, Workshops & Seminars, Staff Training and Community Projects.

Council thanked the delegates for their presentation and information.

Delegates left the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Land Development & Planning Services:

Lands & Planning Manager, Chad Tullis presented the Lands & Planning Report and Request for Decision (RFD).

0116-2018-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Land, Development & Planning Services Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Request from Husky Oil Operations Ltd. to renew lease HAM 9302003 in

Red Earth Creek:

0117-2018-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the request received from Husky Oil Operations Ltd. to renew the mineral surface lease HAM 9302002, located in Red Earth Creek, for a term of 25 years is approved, in accordance with Land Policy, for an annual fee of \$3,180.00.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed at 11:59 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. Recess/Reconvene:

Transportation Services: 0118-2018-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the Transportation Services Report is accepted

as presented.

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Delegation: 1:13 p.m.

Cliff McKay and Bill Nichol - RCMP

**Round Table Introductions** 

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Sgt. McKay and Sgt Nichol were in attendance to inform Council of the yearend activities for RCMP and starting of the annual performance planning for the communities. New priorities and objectives will be established with the MD and consider new initiatives for 2018 that will include the following;

- a) Alberta Wide Crime Reduction Strategies. Each district will have a team targeting criminal offenders and identify high-risk individuals. Initiatives set up throughout the year. Habitual Offender Management - tracking and attending to repeat offenders.
- b) Continue with community relations, and work with youth (DARE program, school visits, lectures on bullying), foot & ATV patrols.
- c) Police & community relations Positive reactions in office and community at large.
- d) Radios are another issue, maybe switch to a digital system. Few challenges and radios would help. Annual performance plan - Initiatives are up and above resources.
- e) Calling Lake search and rescue manager.

Council thanked the delegates for their presentation and information.

Delegates left the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Public Services Report: 0119-2018-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that the Public Services Report is accepted as

presented.

**CARRIED** 

**Economic Development:** 

0120-2018-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Economic Development Report is

accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

**Water Act Notice of** Application:

0121-2018-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Briefing Note with the respect to the Water Act Notice of Application that will be advertised in the Fever is

accepted as information.

**CARRIED** 

**CAO** Report:

Chief Administrative Officer, Helen Alook presented the CAO monthly report

and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0122-2018-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the CAO Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Athabasca RCMP **Detachment Annual** Performance Planning:

0123-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the proposed performance planning priorities as presented by Sgt. McKay and Sgt. Nichol are approved and Administration is authorized to sign off on the Acknowledgement of

Consultation 2018 document once it is received from the R.C.M.P.

Request to Endorse Motion for Rural Crime Study:

0124-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Private Member's Motion of Shannon Stubbs, MP calling for a federal study into rural crime is approved as outlined in the statement prepared by administration.

#### **CARRIED**

**In-Kind Donation to** Athabaska Ultra 100 Race:

0125-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the In-Kind Donation to Athabaska Ultra 100 Race is tabled to April 11, 2018 pending further research into the costs and resources required from the Municipal District.

**CARRIED** 

Declaration:

Councillor Robin Guild and Councillor Louie A. Cardinal declared conflict on

the following item and left the chambers at 2:44 p.m.

Statement of Support for

**BCN Position on** 

**Education Services:** 

0126-2018-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that Council supports BCN's statement of concerns about the quality of education services provided by Northlands School

Division as outlined in statement prepared by administration.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Return:

Councillor Robin Guild and Councillor Louie A. Cardinal returned to the

meeting at 2:49 p.m.

**Donation Request from** Local Line and Square Dance Academy:

0127-2018-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Group Recreation Grant application of \$1500.00 is approved to Helen Brule on behalf of the Local Line and Square Dance Academy to support their dance competition in St. Albert on May 19-20, 2018, pending an Activity Report on their last Recreation Group Grant.

**CARRIED** 

**Nurse Practitioner** 

Alternative Scheduling: 0128-2018-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the option of a week-in-week-out schedule for medical services to be provided by the Nurse Practitioner for the community of Red Earth Creek is approved in order to facilitate filling of the position as

soon as possible.

Amend Two Calling Lake

Capital Project Budgets: 0129-2018-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the 2018 Capital Budget for the CL-Multi-Use Shop project (4-32-70-62-620-00), CL-Playground Poured In Place (4-71-26-62-610-03) is tabled until the March 28, 2018 Capital Budget meeting.

### **CARRIED**

Senior Home Repair **Budget Calling Lake:** 

0130-2018-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the 2018 Operating Budget approved on February 26, 2018 and the Capital Budget approved on February 27, 2018 is amended by moving \$250,000 from the "CL-Multi-Use-Shop project (4-32-70-62-620-00) to the Calling Lake Senior Home Repair line item (2-00-00-62-

770-04).

**CARRIED** 

**New Program: Calling** Lake to Athabasca **Commuter Bus:** 

0131-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the request from Northern Lakes College for an MD commuter bus from Calling Lake to Athabasca is accepted as

information.

CARRIED

Senior Repair Program: 0132-2018-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that a budget in the amount of \$25,000 per community is approved for a senior repair program in Red Earth Creek, Trout Lake, Peerless Lake, and Chipewyan Lake; Wabasca and Sandy Lake in the amount of \$250,000 to be administered by the Facilities Maintenance

department manager with funds coming from General Revenue.

**CARRIED** 

Amend 2018 Capital and **Operating Budgets-Crime Prevention and Community** 

Wellness:

0133-2018-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Capital Budget approved on December 11, 2017 and the 2018 Operating Budget approved on February 26, 2018 is amended by moving \$100,000 from the "CL Infrastructure" project (4-32-70-62-620-00) to the Legislative Services professional fees code (2-27-00-31-239-00) for Crime Prevention/Community Wellness and Intervention Services

and activities in Calling Lake.

CARRIED

**Revised Finance Policy** F.6 Grants Policy:

0134-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the F.6 Grant Policy is tabled to the April 11,

2018 regular council meeting for further amendments.

Three Phase Power to Sandy Lake by Atco

**Electric:** 

0135-2018-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the Briefing Note regarding Three Phase Power to

Sandy Lake is accepted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

Council

**Correspondence:** 

0136-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Correspondence Sheet with item "a" to

"b" is accepted as information.

**CARRIED** 

**Council Activity** 

Reports:

0137-2018-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Council Activity Reports are accepted as

reported.

**CARRIED** 

Wabasca Senior Centre: 0140-2018-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that administration is authorized to prepare an information package regarding the items and issues outlined in the letter received from the Wabasca Seniors Group. Potential operating and capital budget items to be established and decision to made upon review by

Council.

**CARRIED** 

Adjournment:

0141-2018-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Chief Administrative Officer