

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – WABASCA
OCTOBER 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 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
Robin Guild	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chad Tullis	Chief Administrative Officer
Cynthia Taron	Director of Public Works
Angela Lightning	Director of Recreation & Culture
Earl Gullion	Director of Utilities
Gerhard Stickling	Director of Corporate & Regulatory Services
Lynda Gray	Recording Secretary

Call to Order: Reeve Marshall D. Auger called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda: **0505-2022-17MDC**
Moved by Brendan Powell that the Agenda be adopted as presented/with the following additions:

- 8d. Council Zoom
- 9d. Santa's Parade
- 9e. Calling Lake Food Bank
- 11e. Development Permit Application 22-DP-070

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Adoption of Minutes
(September 26, 2022): **0506-2022-17MDC**
Moved by Robin Guild that the Minutes of the September 26, 2022 Delegation Council meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Congratulatory Letter to
Premier Danielle Smith: **0507-2022-17MDC**
Moved by Brendan Powell that administration is authorized to draft a congratulatory letter to Premier Danielle Smith.

Delegation (11:00 a.m.) Martine Carifelle – UCP Candidate

Round table introductions were held.

The delegate was in attendance inform council that she is pursuing nominations for the United Conservative Party of Alberta elections to represent the constituency of Lesser Slave Lake.

She gave a brief update about her background. Prior to resigning from her job, she worked for MLA Pat Rehn for the last three and half years. She is aware and pays attention to what needs to be done and would like to see more presentation in this riding. It is important to establish a strong foundation and relationships with municipalities, counties and First Nations in the Lesser Slave Lake area. She would like to partake in events held in the communities. It's the same principle being an MLA.

There are applications available to join or renew your UCP membership.

Council thanked the delegate for her attendance.

Delegate left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Highway 686 Signs:**0509-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to get quotes for two 4'x8' signs for Highway 686 displaying "Future 686 Expansion Corridor" including a map of the route and bring back to council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**SCARS Critters &
Cocktails Gala 2022:****0510-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that administration is authorized to get one table for \$500 and six (6) additional tickets at \$85 each for the Second Chance Animal Rescue Society Critters and Cocktails Gala 2022 on November 5, 2022 in Edmonton, AB.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Council Meeting Zoom
Option:****0511-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that councillors, delegates, professionals, and contractors have the option to partake in council meetings via zoom but it will not be accessible by the public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 12:03 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Food Bank Donations: 0513-2022-17MDC

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the following organizations be approved for Food Bank donations for Christmas hampers:

Red Earth Creek Fire Department	\$5,000
Wabasca Lions Club	\$10,000
Calling Lake Christmas Gift Program	\$5,000

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ECSS – Children's Place
Playschool:****0514-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the funding request received from Children's Place Playschool is approved for \$12,000 with funds from Grants to Organizations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Santa Parade in
Wabasca:****0515-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to host a Santa Parade in Wabasca on December 4, 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calling Lake Food Bank: There was a brief discussion about the Calling Lake food bank. ~~Bigstone Cree Nation contributes \$55,000 but is only for Bigstone Cree Nation members.~~
Amended-October 25, 2022 MA. MD of Opportunity contributes \$25,000. *MA.*

Direction to Administration to budget for Calling Lake Food Bank annually.

Finance Report:

Chief Administrative Officer, Chad Tullis presented the Finance Monthly Report.

0516-2022-17MDC

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the Finance Report is accepted as presented.

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).

0517-2022-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Corporate & Regulatory Services Report is accepted as presented.

Councillor Departure: Councillor Leo Alook left the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

0519-2022-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that council return to open meeting at 3:01 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Declaration: Councillors Tahirih Wiebe and Cheri Courtorielle declared conflict on the following item and left the room at 3:01 p.m.

**Fire Chief Appointment
for Wabasca:**

0520-2022-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that Lee Bissell is appointed as the Fire Chief for the Wabasca Fire Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Fire Chief Appointment
For Red Earth Creek:**

0521-2022-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that Joshua Peer is appointed as the Fire Chief for the Red Earth Creek Fire Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Fire Chief Appointment
for Sandy Lake:**

0522-2022-17MDC

Moved by Gerald Johnson that Richard Wiebe is appointed as the Fire Chief for the Sandy Lake Fire Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Interim Fire Chief for
Calling Lake:**

0523-2022-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that Derrick Rathbone is appointed as the Interim Fire Chief for the Calling Lake Fire Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Return:

Councillors Tahirih Wiebe and Cheri Courtorielle returned to the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

**Calling Lake Senior
Housing Project:****0525-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that council accept the final estimated pricing of \$4,047,379.91 for the Calling Lake Senior Housing project and increase the capital budget by an additional \$1,280,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Development Permit
Application 22-DP-070:****0526-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that Development Permit Application 22-DP-070 received from Brayden Wujcik c/o ATCO Electric to remove the existing modular duplex and replace with a single-family modular home under Land Use Bylaw 9.26 (2) "Buildings and uses ancillary to discretionary uses", with standard conditions is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Works Report:

Director of Public Works, Cynthia Taron presented the Public Works Monthly Report.

0527-2022-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Public Works Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Departure:

Councilor Louis A. Cardinal left the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

Beaver Bounty:**0528-2022-17MDC**

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that administration is authorized to enact a Beaver Bounty for \$100 per beaver and \$5,000 budget is allocated in the budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Utilities Report:

Director of Utilities, Earl Gullion presented the Utilities Monthly Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

0529-2022-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Water & Sewer Tank
Grant Request for
Additional Funds:****0530-2022-17MDC**

Moved by DeLana Jackson that the request for an additional \$40,000 for water

Wabasca Annual General Meeting:

0532-2022-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration is authorized to host an Annual General Meeting in Wabasca on December 6, 2022 at the George D. Auger Community Hall starting at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council Round Table:

0533-2022-17MDC

Moved by Cheri Courtorielle that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/
Correspondence:**

0534-2022-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calendars:

0535-2022-17MDC

Moved by Tahirih Wiebe that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Dates:

Organizational Council Meeting
October 25, 2022
10:00 a.m.
Wabasca Council Chambers

Regular Council Meeting
November 15, 2022
10:00 a.m.
Wabasca Council Chambers

Adjournment:

0536-2022-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the meeting is adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY