

**MINUTES**  
**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY NO. 17**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – WABASCA**  
**OCTOBER 14, 2020**

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The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at the Wabasca Council Chambers in Wabasca.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marshall D. Auger (Reeve) (10:19 am)    Everett Gottfried (D/Reeve)  
Leo Alook    Kevin Bigstone (10:20 am)  
Victor Gladue    Brendan Powell  
Darlene Jackson    Robin Guild  
Barry Schmidt    Roy Yellowknee (10:33 am)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Louis A. Cardinal

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chad Tullis    Chief Administrative Officer  
Mark Schonken    Chief Financial Officer  
Gerhard Stickling    Director of Corporate Services  
William Auger    Director of Regulatory Services  
Cynthia Taron    Director of Transportation and Public Works  
Angela Lightning    Acting Director of Recreation & Culture  
Terah Yellowknee    Recording Secretary  
Lynda Gray    Recording Secretary

**Call to Order:** Deputy Reeve, Everett Gottfried called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**Adoption of Agenda:** 0905-2020-17MDC  
Moved by Victor Gladue that the Agenda is adopted with the following additions:

- 9.c Calling Lake Community Association – Safety & Security Partnership
- 13.b Peerless Lake Water Supply – Discussion
- 14.e Senior Home Repair
- 16.a Additional Information / Correspondence
- 17.b New Business on Mistassiniy Road
- 17.c Chief Administrative Officer Contract – Verbal
- 17.d IT - Unsuccessful Applicant

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Adoption of Minutes**  
**(September 23, 2020):** 0906-2020-17MDC  
Moved by Leo Alook that the Minutes of the September 23, 2020 Delegation Council Meeting are adopted with the following correction:

0889-2020-17MDC – Remove “Glade” and insert “Gladue”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Action Item List / Capital**  
**Projects Item List:** 0907-2020-17MDC  
Moved by Brendan Powell that the Action Item List is accepted as presented.

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**Admin Report:**

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

**0908-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Chief Administrative Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Face Mask Petition –  
Red Earth Creek****0909-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the petition to remove mandated masks in businesses in Red Earth Creek is tabled for the next joint Loon River First Nation and MD Meeting on October 22, 2020 for further direction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Recreation & Culture  
Services:**

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

**0910-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Recreation & Culture Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Red Earth Food Bank:****0911-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the request from Interim Pastor, Everett Evison for the remaining inventory of food bank items is donated to the Church in Red Earth Creek be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Calling Lake Community  
Association – Safety &  
Security Partnership:****0912-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the request from the Calling Lake Community Association for a 3-year financial commitment for a Community Program Officer position is accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Finance Report:**

Chief Financial Officer, Mark Schonken presented the Finance monthly report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

**0913-2020-17MDC**

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Corporate Services  
Report:**

Director of Corporate Services, Gerhard Stickling presented the Corporate Services monthly report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

**0914-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the Corporate Services report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Transportation and Public Works Report:**

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

**0915-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the Transportation and Public Works Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Gravel Sales to MD Residents:****0916-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the 2020 MD Gravel Sales to Residents is discontinued for 2020 and that administration advertise to public that this program is completed on November 15, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Peerless Lake Water Supply:****0917-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that administration add Peerless Lake Water Supply to the agenda for the meeting scheduled for October 22, 2020 with Peerless Trout First Nation and Loon River First Nation be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Utilities Report:**

Chief Administrative Officer Chad Tullis presented the Utilities monthly report.

**0918-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Victor Gladue the Utilities Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Senior Home Repair:****0919-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Victor Gladue that the Senior Home Repair operating budget is increased an additional \$50,000 (totaling \$150,000 for 2020) from general revenue be approved to complete the 2020 Senior Home Repairs and that the Senior Home Repair program is re-evaluated for 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Wabasca Fire Rescue Boat Proposal:****0920-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the request from Wabasca Fire and Rescue to purchase Lesser Slave Regional Fire Services boat (boat, motor, trailer and some water rescue equipment) for a price of \$8,000 and includes training be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Regulatory Services Report:**

Director of Regulatory Services, William Auger presented the Regulatory Services Report and Request for Decisions (RFD's).

**0921-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Roy Yellowknee that the Regulatory report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Development Authority  
Appointment Resolution  
2020-03:**

**0922-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that Resolution 2020-03 to appoint the Municipal Planning Commission and that Katelyn Alook and Landon McLeod as the Development Authority for the effective processing of Lands & Planning documents be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Proclamation – Alberta  
Development Officers  
Week – October 26-30,  
2020:**

**0923-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that the Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17 proclaims October 26 to October 30, 2020 as Alberta Development Officers Week be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Wolf Reduction Incentive  
Program:**

**0924-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Wolf Reduction Incentive Program is reinstated for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 Season be approved with remaining budget of \$20,400.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Round Table:**

**0925-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the Council Round Table discussions are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Elected Officials Education  
Program:**

**0926-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that any elected officials that may want to participate in any of the offered courses in the Elected Officials Education Program in November and December contact administration for enrollment be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**607 McLaughlin Road:**

**0927-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the request for a shed at 607 McLaughlin Road is added to the Wabasca Desmarais Housing Authority agenda to discuss on October 20, 2020 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CAO Vacation Request:**

**0928-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the CAO's vacation request for December 28-31, 2020 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/  
Correspondence:**

**0929-2020-17MDC**

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

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**Calendars:**

**0930-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Closed Session:**

**0931-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook to go into a closed session at 1:20 p.m. with the Director of Regulatory Services and Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director of Regulatory Services left the closed session at 2:05 p.m.

**0932-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson to go out of the closed session at 2:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Appointment of Chief  
Administrative Officer:**

**0933-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell to appoint Chad Tullis as Chief Administrative Officer effective October 15, 2020.

CARRIED

**Next Meeting Dates:**

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

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

**Adjournment:**

**0934-2020-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

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Marshall D. Auger, Reeve

  
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Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer