

The regular meeting of the Municipal District of Opportunity Council was held on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at the Wabasca Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marshall D. Auger (Reeve)
Louis A. Cardinal
Leo Alook
Victor Gladue
Darlene Jackson
Barry Schmidt

Everett Gottfried (D/Reeve)
Kevin Bigstone
Roy Yellowknee
Brendan Powell
Robin Guild

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chad Tullis
Trina Mineault
Gerhard Stickling
William Auger
Cynthia Taron
Angela Lightning
Earl Gullion
Rolanna Auger

Lisa Belanger

Chief Administrative Officer
Chief Financial Officer
Director of Corporate Services
Director of Regulatory Services
Director of Transportation & Public Works
Director of Recreation & Culture
Acting Director of Utilities
Manager of Safety, Bylaw Enforcement
& Security
Recording Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Bruce Thomas
Joe Williams

The Fever Lakeside Leader

Call to Order:

Reeve Marshall D. Auger called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Adoption of Agenda:

0483-2021-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the Agenda be adopted with the following additions and deletions:

- 8b. ZOOM Meetings
- 9d. Request from Arlene Beaver to Waive Hall Fees
- 9e. Request from Robert Zabot - BCN Community Wellness
- 14j. Delete Red Earth Creek Fireguard Contract
- 14k. Delete Wabasca Fireguard Seeding
- 14l. Delete Red Earth Creek Fireguard Seeding
- 14m. Arrow Technology Group Request
- 14n. Mud Bog Association
- 17a. COVID-19
- 17c.i Red Earth Creek Fireguard-Northern Waste Disposal

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Introductions:

Roundtable introductions

Closed Session:

0484-2021-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild to go into a closed session at 10:16 p.m. to the public for agenda items: 17a) COVID-19, 17b) Utilities Account, 17c) Recreation Staff Issue and 17c.i) Red Earth Creek Fireguard and CAO evaluation with the Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Finance, Director of Recreation & Culture, Director of Regulatory Services, Director of Transportation & Public Works, and Director of Corporate Services and Recording Secretary to discuss matters protected from disclosure per section 16 of the Freedom of Information Privacy Act (FOIP).

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0485-2021-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell to go out of the closed session at 12:04 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**COVID-19 Vaccine
Incentive:**

0486-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the ECC come up with a vaccine incentive to match Bigstone Cree Nation up to \$10,000. This incentive is to encourage residents to raise our percentage in obtaining herd immunity. Council would also like to thank all those who are vaccinated to date. It is very much appreciated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recess/Reconvene:

The meeting recessed at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

**Adoption of Minutes
(August 25, 2021):**

0487-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Minutes of the August 25, 2021 Delegation Council meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Admin Report:

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

0488-2021-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Recreation & Culture
Services:**

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

0489-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the Recreation & Culture Report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Alberta Treaty 8 Trappers
Association Request to
Use Sandy Lake Hall:**

0490-2021-17MDC

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the request received from Ronald Beaver on behalf of the Alberta Treaty 8 Trappers Association to use the Sandy Lake hall to host two (2) Trappers Courses on October 8-10, 2021 and November 5-7, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with an FCSS Grant of \$2000 to cover the cost of the hall fees is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Steve Anderson Recognition
Dinner Grant Request:**

0491-2021-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the grant request received from Helen Starr for \$1500 to assist with the recognition dinner for Steve Anderson in Peerless Lake on September 18, 2021 is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Arlene Beaver-Waive
Hall Fees Request:****0492-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Brendan Powell that the request received from Arlene Beaver to waive the rental fee of \$400 for the Wabasca Hall is accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Bigstone Community
Wellness Request for
Recreation Passes:****0493-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the request received from Robert Zabot on behalf of Bigstone Community Wellness for 25% off recreation passes for clients, also to offer to Peekiskwetan, to re-evaluate in one year, is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Finance Report:

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

0494-2021-17MDC

Moved by Victor Gladue that the Finance report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Reserve Bids for Public
Auction 2021:****0495-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Everett Gottfried that the appraised values for each property on the public sale of land listing 2021 are approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Corporate Services
Report:**

Director of Corporate Services, Gerhard Stickling presented the Corporate Services Monthly Report.

Ultrasound Services:**0496-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild to refer back to administration for more information at the September 22, 2021 Delegation meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0497-2021-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Transportation and Public
Works Report:**

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

0498-2021-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the Transportation and Public Works report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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**Campsite Improvements
In Trout Lake:****0499-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the donation request received from Loonskin Cultural Camp Society in Trout Lake for \$1000 to go towards campsite road improvements is approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Utilities Report:

Acting Utilities Director, Earl Gullion presented the Utilities Monthly Verbal Report.

0500-2021-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Regulatory Services
Report:**

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

0501-2021-17MDC

Moved by Louis A. Cardinal that the Regulatory Services report is accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2021 FireSmart Request
for Expression of
Interests Submissions:****0502-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Robin Guild that Council acknowledges awareness and is in support of the projects listed below for the September 2021 Request for Expression of Interests (RFEOI) submissions to Forest Resources Improvement Association of Alberta (FRIAA):

- Peerless Lake: Vegetation Management 12.4 ha (treatment blocks PL10 and PL12)
- Trout Lake: Vegetation Management 10.4 ha (treatment blocks TL44, TL50 and TL51)
- Calling Lake: Vegetation Management 10.1 ha (treatment blocks CAL5-1 to CAL5-4)
- Wabasca: Vegetation Management 14.3 ha (treatment block WA56)
- Red Earth Creek: Wildfire Preparedness Guide (WPG) Update and Develop a Sprinkler Deployment Plan

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FireSmart Tender for
Calling Lake:****0503-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Everett Gottfried that administration is authorized to award the FFP-21-16 Calling Lake FireSmart Project to the lowest qualified bidder and is awarded to Orloff Enterprises for a price of \$95,250 (\$7,500 per hectare).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FireSmart Tender for
Peerless Lake:****0504-2021-17MDC**

Moved by Leo Alook that administration is authorized to award 10.1 hectares (PL25) to PTFN Development Corp. for a price of \$68,175 (\$6,750 per hectare) and award 4.4 hectares (PL40) to 2293196 AB Ltd. for a price of \$28,160 (\$6,400 per hectare) for the FFP-21-17 Peerless Lake FireSmart Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



**FireSmart Maintenance
Tender for Red Earth
Creek:**

0505-2021-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that administration is authorized to award to and negotiate with Willie & Sons for a price of \$52,500 (\$3,000 per hectare) for the FFP-21-18 Red Earth Creek FireSmart Maintenance Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**FireSmart Tender for
Wabasca:**

0506-2021-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that administration is authorized to award to and negotiate with Metis Local #90 for a price of \$89,250 (\$7,500 per hectare) for the FFP-21-19 Wabasca FireSmart Project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Road Renaming Request
for Moonshine Drive in
Wabasca:**

0507-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the road renaming request received from the family of the late George D. Auger is referred back to administration with direction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Wabasca Fireguard
Fencing Tender:**

*Amended September 23,
2021 MA.*

0508-2021-17MDC

Moved by Robin Guild that the Wabasca Fireguard Fencing Tender is awarded to Robert Davis at 16 hectares at \$40,000 and Eric Auger and Sons Ltd. at 213 hectares at \$319,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Red Earth Creek Fireguard
Fencing Tender:**

0509-2021-17MDC

Moved by Brendan Powell that the Red Earth Creek Fireguard Fencing Tender is awarded to GB Holdings Ltd. for \$380,000 GST included.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Arrow Technology Group
Request to Install a
Distribution Tower and
Shed in Calling Lake:**

*Amended January
12, 2022
MA.*

0510-2021-17MDC

Moved by Barry Schmidt that the request from Arrow Technology Group to install a distribution tower and equipment shed at an annual rate of \$88.59+GST for a term of 5 years is approved, subject to an approved alternate location.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mud Bog Association:

0511-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the request from the Mud Bog Association is referred back to administration with direction.

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Council Round Table:

0512-2021-17MDC

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Information/
Correspondence:**

0513-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the information/correspondence items are accepted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Calendars:

0514-2021-17MDC

Moved by Darlene Jackson that the calendars are accepted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Dates:

Delegation Council Meeting
September 22, 2021
10:00 a.m.
Red Earth Creek Arena Boardroom

Regular Council Meeting
October 13, 2021
10:00 a.m.
Wabasca Council Chambers

Adjournment:

0515-2021-17MDC

Moved by Leo Alook that the meeting is adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Marshall D. Auger, Reeve



Chad Tullis, Chief Administrative Officer