

MINUTES

Council Meeting Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 September 12, 2018 Mitsue Fire Hall, Slave Lake, Alberta

MEMBERS PRESENT

Murray Kerik - Reeve
Becky Peiffer - Division 1
Sandra Melzer - Division 1
Jeff Commins - Division 2
Robert Esau - Division 1
Brian Rosche - Division 2

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brad Pearson - Division 2

IN ATTENDANCE

Jason Warawa - Acting Chief Administrative Officer, MD LSR
Lana Spencer - Recording Secretary, MD LSR
Russ Jassman - Director of Rural Services, MD LSR
Barry Kolenosky - Agricultural Fieldman, MD LSR
Joe McWilliams - Lakeside Leader

CALL TO ORDER

Reeve Kerik called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION 280-18

Moved by Councillor Esau to adopt the Agenda with the following deletion:

- Provincial Education Requisition Credit – Linear Assessment Bad Debts

CARRIED (6-0)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION 281-18

Moved by Councillor Rosche to adopt the *August 15, 2018 Council Minutes* as amended.

CARRIED (6-0)

MOTION 282-18

Moved by Councillor Peiffer to adopt the *August 15, 2018 Community Assistance Board Minutes* as amended.

CARRIED (6-0)

MOTION 283-18

Moved by Councillor Esau to adopt the *August 15, 2018 Public Hearing for Bylaw 2018-05 Minutes* as presented.

CARRIED (6-0)

ADMINISTRATION

LETTER OF SUPPORT – VANDERWELL CONTRACTORS

The Municipal District was contacted by Vanderwell Contractors on August 21st seeking support for their Expression of Interest under the *Best Challenge* put out by Emissions Reduction Alberta.

The application deadline is September 13th therefore Administration contacted Council on August 22nd to determine support which was given via email. A letter of support was drafted and signed by the Reeve.

MOTION 284-18

Moved by Councillor Melzer to ratify Council's support for Vanderwell Contractors (1971) Ltd. application under *Emissions Reduction Alberta Be Best Program* for its co-generation plant at its Mitsue facility.

CARRIED (6-0)

POSTAL BANKING

Administration provided Council with a report that would facilitate a stronger understanding of the postal banking issues so that an informed decision can be made regarding the future advocacy on postal banking in Canada.

MOTION 285-18

Moved by Councillor Rosche that *Postal Banking* be accepted as information.

CARRIED (6-0)

AGRICULTURE

APPOINTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN

Under the Agricultural Service Board Act, Council must appoint a qualified person as Agricultural Fieldman to implement agricultural policies and programs and to manage the agricultural resources of the municipality and to act as a designated officer of the municipality to carry out the functions, duties and powers of the municipality under any Act related to agricultural services.

Barry Kolenosky was in attendance to introduce himself to Council. Mr. Kolenosky was hired on September 4th as the municipality's Agricultural Fieldman.

MOTION 286-18

Moved by Councillor Melzer that Council rescind Motion 140-18 appointing Russ Jassman as the Agricultural Fieldman

CARRIED (6-0)

MOTION 287-18

Moved by Councillor Esau to appoint Barry Kolenosky as the Agricultural Fieldman for the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 effective immediately.

CARRIED (6-0)

B. Kolenosky and R. Jassman left the meeting.

FINANCE

POTENTIAL REDUCTION IN ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION & TRANSMISSION CHARGES

Energy 8760 launched an investigation looking at the distribution and transmission (D&T) costs of 49 electricity sites held by the MD with 6 identified sites that had cost saving potential.

To accept all 6 of their recommendations and reduce D&T costs, the MD would have to up front just over \$52k to ATCO. In return the gross anticipated annual savings would be \$31k, however after Energy 8760 commissions the net savings after three years would be just \$57k, however it would continue commission free after that to at least 2028. These savings assume that D&T costs and usage remain constant.

Administration explained the risks associated and provided an evaluation of costs and savings.

MOTION 288-18

Moved by Councillor Rosche that Council endorse the Energy 8760 initiative and permits Administration to engage Energy 8760 to take advantage of distribution and transmission cost saving opportunities available for six (6) MD sites identified in the Distribution & Transmission Cost Review Report.

CARRIED (6-0)

FINANCE

CHEQUE REGISTERS

MOTION 289-18

Moved by Councillor Esau to accept the *Cheque Registers* as information.

CARRIED (6-0)

TRANSPORTATION

SLAVE LAKE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING UPDATE

Administration provided Council with an update on the renovation project at the Administration Building.

- Change of scope (mould remediation) estimated at \$56,750 – approved by Council through email last week requires ratification at this meeting
- Actual scope change cost \$57,175
- Insurance claim has been made
- Temporary office has been ordered and will be in place next week
- Locations of staffing:
 - Finance will remain at the shop
 - Receptionist and Operations will be in temporary office by Administration Building
 - CAO/Executive Assistant, HR/Communications Coordinator and Planning Officers will remain at the Visitor Information Centre
 - Location of meetings will be determined as they are scheduled
- Anticipated that remediation will be completed by the end of October to mid-November

MOTION 290-18

Moved by Councillor Commins to ratify the approval for the change of scope work on the Administration Building, to direct Administration to bring back pricing for exterior metal cladding of the entire building and to accept the *Slave Lake Administration Building Update* as information.

CARRIED (6-0)

BEACH ROAD SPEED LIMIT

Beach Road is approximately 700 metres of gravel road with no exit and 27 residents. Residents have approached Administration to lower the speed limit.

MOTION 291-18

Moved by Councillor Commins that the speed limit on Beach Road be reduced from 50 km/hr to 30 km/hr.

CARRIED (6-0)

TAXATION

TAX SALE DATE

Administration would like to begin the process for a Tax Recovery Sale this fall. The date selected to hold the Tax Recovery Sale is November 27th at 10:00 a.m. in the M.D. Council Chambers.

Currently there are 4 properties scheduled for tax sale. Administration is working with the property owners to have the taxes paid. The Municipal Government Act states that all arrears must be paid in full prior to the tax sale.

Following is the suggested timeline for the Tax Recovery Sale:

September 12	Date of Sale approved by Council
September 12	Reserve Bids and Conditions approved by Council
September 30	Deadline for submission of ad to Alberta Gazette
October 15	Advertisement in Alberta Gazette
November 14	Advertisement in Lakeside Leader
November 27	Tax Sale

MOTION 292-18

Moved by Councillor Esau that Council accept as information that the Tax Recovery Sale date is set for November 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 Council Chambers.

CARRIED (6-0)

RESERVE BIDS AND CONDITIONS

Administration provided Council with a Tax Recovery Listing of reserve bids as well as the terms and conditions of the sale as required under the Municipal Government Act.

The tax recovery listing (Schedule "A") included three (3) properties in Smith and one (1) in Flatbush with the recommended reserve bid, 2018 Assessment and the outstanding tax amounts for each of the properties.

The terms and conditions of the sale were outlined in a Schedule "B".

MOTION 293-18

Moved by Councillor Melzer that Council approves the *Tax Recovery Sale – Reserve Prices & Conditions of Sale* as stated in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" as presented.

CARRIED (6-0)

BOARD REPORTS

Lesser Slave Regional Waste Management Services Commission

- GFL was in attendance requesting to start negotiations of rates with the Commission. The Commission directed Administration to provide a report on the feasibility of considering a rate reduction.
- Administration advised that they received a quote for concrete crushing on stockpiled cement at the regional landfill from a business working in the Slave Lake area. The Commission directed Administration to contact additional contractors for quotes and availability.

Regional Library Board

- Budget deliberations
- Programming Statistics

Community Education Committee

- Wellness Workshop being held on October 20th

Alberta Care Conference

- Composting of waste generated by cannabis producers
- Requesting Province for funding increase for paint recycling
- Presentation on tire recycling

Wildfire Legacy Corporation

- Leases are up to date
- Reviewed Financials
- Received approval from the Minister to access endowment funding

Economic Development Webinar

- Reeve Kerik participated in a webinar hosted by Alberta Economic Development and Trade's (EDT) regarding regional development. The webinar was directed to explore, coach, educate and raise awareness of regional economic development opportunities. EDT has issued a request for proposal to secure a third party to develop a report on regional economic development models.

MOTION 294-18

Moved by Councillor Rosche to accept the *Board Reports* as information.

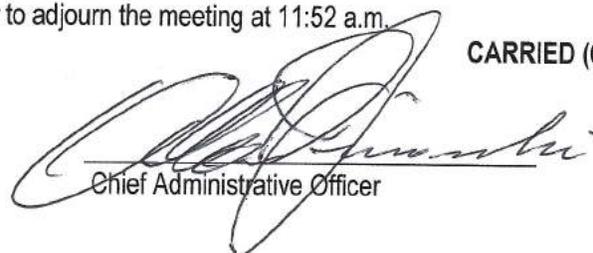
CARRIED (6-0)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 295-18

Moved by Councillor Melzer to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

CARRIED (6-0)


Chief Administrative Officer

Reeve